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CHRISTMAS.

It Was Very Quietly Celebrated in Fresno.

FUN ON MARIPOSA STREET.

How the Crowd Amused Itself—The Sunday School Entertainments, Etc.

Christmas was celebrated very quietly in Fresno, only one shooting scrape having occurred, and not more than the usual number of drunks having been scooped in by the police.

Most of the idle population of the city hung about the sidewalks on Mariposa street, yawning and wishing they were at work. They yawned between drinks and wished that they were at work between yawns.

Three small boys engaged in a game of spinning tops on the bituminous pavement in front of Furnish & Mickle's butcher shop, and they had not been playing more than five minutes before they were surrounded by about 500 men, eager for any kind of excitement to break in upon the dullness of the day.

"Bet you four bits," shouted one, "that the boy with the red head will knock the top out of the ring."

"Take it," shouted another. "Bet you a dollar that the skinny boy wins the game."

GUESSING ON WEIGHT.

The butcher firm had an elaborate display of fat mutton hanging on the hooks on the sidewalk. On the backs of the carcasses artistic designs of racehorses, prize-fighters, etc., were cut with a penknife. The shop was crowded all day with men writing in a book their guesses at the weight of the carcass of a big ox hanging in the shop. The estimates ran from 900 pounds up to 2700 pounds. There was also on exhibition the carcass of a fat hog that was very much admired by the Chinese.

SALOONS FOR AMUSEMENT.

The down-town and Chinatown saloons and restaurants were well patronized, Tom and Jerry and eggnogg being the favorite drinks next to Kentucky whisky and five-cent beer. Many intoxicated men were seen coming out of the saloons, but they were on the whole very orderly.

It speaks well for the good name of Fresno that the day passed off so quietly, because the only places of public amusement open (if they may be called such) were the saloons, and young men on a holiday found time weighing heavily on their hands.

The Christmas Mass.

The Christmas mass at the Catholic Church yesterday forenoon was celebrated by Rev. Father Aguiera, assisted by Father Garriga, who preached a scholarly sermon on the "Nativity and Life of Christ." The choir consisted of Mrs. Wesser, the Misses Wilson and Miss Gussie Trowbridge, sopranos; the Duquesne sisters, altos; Mr. Wilbur, tenor, and Professor Poole, bass.

The following were among the selections: "Kyrie," from Millard's mass, in G; "Gloria," "Credo" and "Agnus Dei," from Bordese's mass, in F; "Sanctus" and "Benedictus," from Peters' mass, in D.

The "Quoniam Tu Solus," from Bordese's "Gloria," was brilliantly rendered by Miss Wilson, while the "Incarnatus Est" was sung with great expression by Mrs. Wesser.

In the evening the Allelulia Vespers were sung by the full choir.

Generous Donations to the Poor.

The Fresno Relief Society, a worthy organization, whose work never flags on week day or holiday did not forget the poor yesterday. One of the ladies connected with the society was in attendance yesterday from 10 A. M. to 5 P. M. at the temporary headquarters of the society in the Hughes' block on Tulare street. The headquarters will remain open during the remainder of the week for the reception of donations for the deserving poor.

Yesterday O. J. Woodward, President of the First National Bank, donated five barrels of flour. The children of the Congregational Sunday school turned in a quilt, two chickens and $5 in cash, and the Mission Sunday school, which meets in the Belmont schoolhouse, sent some cooked provisions left over from an entertainment. Let the good work proceed. The Relief Society is now attending to some families which would otherwise go hungry and cold.

SACRILEGE.

The Sanctuary of the Home, Sweet Home Invaded by Burglars.

Early yesterday morning another burglary, characteristic of the boldness of those perpetrated within the past week, was committed at the boarding house of the Home, Sweet Home Club on J street. The thief entered the rear door at the kitchen, which had been left unlocked, and passing through the long hallway went into the front bedroom, occupied by Lieutenant George F. Minns and Corporal Wright Spencer, and abstracted from the latter's pants pockets 15 cents—all the spending money he had left after celebrating Christmas—and then entered an adjoining room.

Here he rummaged a pair of trousers belonging to A. Kavanaugh, getting $40 in gold and the purse.

The burglar, almost paralyzed with astonishment, went upstairs where Thomas Lynch and J. H. Shoemaker, an abstract clerk, were sleeping, and relieved the former of a gold watch and chain.

Strangely enough Mr. Shoemaker's clothes were not molested, although they contained over $50 and a watch and chain. Shoemaker's snoring frightened him.

The thief also had the opportunity of relieving other occupants of rooms which he had visited of over $150 and other valuables.

The cook, who was sleeping alone down stairs, said that she heard the kitchen door open shortly after 3 o'clock and also the foot steps in the hall, but attributed it to some of the lodgers, who, she supposed, had been out late enjoying their Christmas festivities, and were consequently a little unsteady on their feet.

There is weeping and wailing in the Home, Sweet Home Club.

Trains Delayed.

Several Fresnoites who intended to spend Christmas in San Francisco or Los Angeles were grievously disappointed. The south-bound train that was due here at 2:30 yesterday morning did not arrive until 3 o'clock in the afternoon, and the north-bound train due at noon did not arrive until 3 o'clock this morning, owing to washouts south of Mojave. It was reported that a freight train was wrecked between Mojave and Los Angeles, and that the south-bound train that passed here at 3 in the afternoon would stop at Mojave and return from that point to San Francisco.

SHOT IN THE HEAD.

Eggnogg and a Bullet the Christmas Gift of Frank Pico.

Christmas eggnogg had its effect on Frank Pico, a Mexican employe of the Electioneer Stables on I street, opposite Kutner, Goldstein & Co.'s stores. He visited Charles Boyd's saloon on F street in the forenoon, and amused the barkeeper for and hour or two by cursing the Americans, in good Spanish, and he made the air blue with "gringos," "cabrones" and "carajos." He pretended to be very drunk and wanted to go into the back room by way of behind the counter. When the barkeeper protested, he attempted to knock a water heater off the corner of the counter with his elbow.

Mr. Boyd, the proprietor, requested him several times to be quiet, but he persisted in running the place, and finally, when he spilled some silver on the floor and insisted that no one should go out or come in until he had leisurely picked it up, the barkeeper's patience became exhausted. He attempted to put Pico out, but was resisted by Pico and two of his friends. Boyd walked behind the counter, got a 38-caliber revolver and was again attacked by the three as he came out. He used the weapon as a club, and in the struggle the pistol, so Boyd says, was accidentally discharged.

The bullet cut a furrow in Pico's scalp and passed through the floor. If the missile had gone an eighth of an inch to the left it would have effectually prevented Mr. Pico from getting drunk any more.

Boyd was arrested on a charge of an assault with a deadly weapon, and was released on giving bonds. His saloon is sandwiched between two disreputable houses and has been open for only two weeks.

Pico was instantly sobered by the shot and his scalp wound was dressed by Dr. Yancey.

SOME GIFTS.

Prominent Citizens Who Were Remembered by Their Friends.

Several prominent citizens received appropriate gifts through the mails and otherwise yesterday. Ed Sims, the compositor, received a neat package through the Postoffice. When he opened it he found it to contain a small bottle of milk with a rubber nipple. This was intended as a cruel satire on Mr. Sims, for he swore off about a month ago.

Charles Berry, the Adonis of the Grand Central hotel, was presented with a beautiful purple eye. The donor was Alex Goldstein, who does not let his left hand know what his right giveth. The blow, however, was an accident—the result of friendly skylarking.

Coroner Bishop and Deputy Coroner Williams received a beautiful indictment from the hands of the Grand Jury.

Justice Hogue received a new plug hat from an admiring friend.

District Attorney Tupper and Major Cummings received through the mails a copy of last week's Chaff (illustrated).

J. M. Renek was presented (temporarily) by Jeweler Simon with a pair of diamond studs, which he wore at the Knights of Pythias ball.

J. D. Fisk received a change of heart (express charges prepaid).

Senator Bines received an ear-trumpet filled with alcohol and stopped at the big end. The Senator threw the gift into the street.

Major Dernelt was presented with a pair of false whiskers to hide his blushes.

A large basket of flowers and a floral emblem with the words, "Try Again," were laid upon Recorder Prince's table.

Dr. Leaei was presented with the admiration of the Expositor reporter, and a copy of a legal essay entitled: "Absolute Monarchy."

PAMPERING CRIMINALS.

A Striking Illustration of Misdirected Charity Yesterday.

Two plainly dressed ladies called at the County Jail yesterday and asked to see Sheriff Hensley. They wanted to hold services with the miserable vagrants whom the Constables had chased into jail. Their request was granted, and on being taken into the lower corrider the door was opened and for over a half hour they earnestly prayed and sang with the prisoners.

Finally, one of the ladies told the prisoners that she had brought some Christmas presents, which announcement spread with the quickness of electricity, and brought every tough to his feet and as closely as possible to the fair speaker.

When quiet was restored and the ladies had recovered sufficiently from the stifling tobacco breath which they came constantly in contact with, so that they could speak, one of them said that she had brought some socks, but not enough for all.

Sheriff Hensley again opened the door and twelve young men were arranged in a row and were presented with a pair of socks each. The ladies then left.

The sheriff accompanied them as far as the hallway leading into the courtyard, when his attention was attracted by a noise on the inside. On returning to the jail corrider he found the prisoners piled in a heap in the middle of the floor, each wriggling and jerking away at a sock. When quiet was restored not a whole sock was to be seen, only vestiges here and there scattered on the floor.

There were several families in this city out of jail who would have been glad to receive the money paid for the socks to buy a square meal with.

The Book Agent.

The ingenuity of the book agent has advanced another step. Instead of carrying around their book with them, a proceeding that betrayed them and prevented them from obtaining admission to most of the houses and offices at which they called, the smartest of them now have the books carried by a small boy, who follows them. Without any sign of their calling they have little difficulty in getting admission to an office, and, once inside, after broaching their business, they step to the door and call: "Johnny, come in!" and in trots the boy with the books, upon the merits of which the agent proceeds to dilate with a vigor and persistence that can be shut off only by a subscription or by forcible ejection from the place.—Ex.

THE SUMNER CLUB.

They Obliterated the Color Line Last Evening.

WHITE GUESTS WHO ATTENDED.

A Very Festive Time at the Colored Ball at Riggs Theater Last Evening.

It was a high compliment to the members of the Charles Sumner Social Club (colored) that the hall was crowded with so many prominent white citizens of Fresno, many of whom carried pasteboard [illegible] concealed about their persons as a delicate compliment to the Sumner Club.

As each representative of white civilization appeared he was greeted with stamping of feet from those who had already arrived, which courtesy he acknowledged by raising his hat.

The committees in charge did their best to make their white visitors feel at ease, and the result was enjoyment for all. The color line was completely obliterated, and sociability reigned supreme.

A JIM CROW ANNOUNCEMENT.

The announcement of the affair on the dodgers is unique, in fact, it is a literary gem. It reads as follows:

"Musical Entertainment and Grand Ball, given by All Colored Home Talent, Under the Auspices of Charles Sumner Club, at Riggs' Theater, Fresno, Wednesday Eve., December 25th.

Walk, ladies and gents, and have some fun,
Hittin' on the anvil and beatin' the drum;
Everything will be so nice
Just like skatin' on the ice.
We'll have wild duck, opossum and all kinds of game,
And dancing and waltzing just the same.

"Three Grand Prizes to be given. For best Lady Waltzer, a Ladies Fine Watch; for best Gentleman Waltzer, Fine Gold-Headed Cane; for the most Graceful Walker in the Grand March, a Large Cake.

"The entertainment will be opened by the Golden West Quartette; Instrumental Piece, by Miss Mabel Walker; Song, 'Take Back Thy Heart,' Mrs. S. St. Clair; Guitar Solo, Norman Bros.; Cornet Solo, Ervin Johnson; Song, 'The Cotton Fields,' St. Clair and Phillips; Duet, Miss Clark and Mrs. St. Clair; Song, 'Close the Door Gently, Baby's Asleep,' Mr. St. Clair; Song, Miss Mabel Walker and Eva Norman; Shadow Scenes, Professor Thurston.

"Stage Manager—E. Johnson.

"Committee on Arrangements—Mr. Smith St. Clair, Mr. Dudley Clark, Mr. John Woodson; Mr. Steve Truit, Mr. W. C. Hammonds.

"Floor Managers—Mr. Josiah Fields, Professor Benedict.

"Tickets for Entertainment and Ball, $1.50 per couple; Spectators 50 cents; Smith St. Clair, General Manager."

Miss Ward won the cake walk, the judges being Jo. P. Carroll and Reddy Jones.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN PRESENT.

Among the ladies and gentlemen present were:

Plantation One—"Chappy" Wilson Underhill, Mrs. Louisa Benedict, L. L. Gray, Annie Johnson, Nat Baldwin, Mrs. Matilda Hancock, W. D. Weaver, Miss Sarah Johnson.

Plantation Two—Louis Heringhi, Miss Susie Webster, Frank Helm, Mrs. Maxwell of Madera, Lieutenant George F. Minns, Annie Hendricks, John Daly, Miss Parthenia Maxwell of Madera, Harry Upton, Annie Clark, Willie Baldwin, Miss Whitfield.

Plantation Three—C. W. Callahan, Mrs. Mary Moore, Ben R. Woodworth, Hannah Hancock, Captain M. W. Muller, Mrs. Dudley Clark.

Plantation Four—Dr. Phipps, Mrs. Smith St. Clair, T. W. Patterson, Sallie Adams of Modesto, W. E. Saunders, Dora McKinney of Visalia, Maurice Rorphuro, Miss McKinney of Visalia, C. B. Lehman, Miss Dora Ward of Merced.

Plantation five—Chas. Riege, Jane Ankeron, Stoney Ashman, Lulu Marshall, Al. Braverman, Annie Woodson, Will C. Guard, Flossie Fifer, Doctor R. C. Gardner, Laurenna Jackson, Arthur Miller, Phoebe Stockton, C. B. Mudge. Kit Fergerson.

Plantation six—Colin Chisholm, Miss McKinney of Visalia, W. L. Doty, Dolly Walker, "Doc" Henry Bedford, Tabitha Jones, Secretary W. W. Stocker, Rebecca Wilson, Recorder Dante Rinaldo Prince, Topsy Diana Jenkins, jr.

Plantation Seven—Past Worthy Chief A. C. Banta, Tutie Boller, Wright Spencer, Tessie Fernald, W. A. Shepard, Beckie Sharp, Joe Franklin, Renie Howell, George Candy Trumbo, Lorella Brown, Professor S. W. Goudy, Miss Dolly St. John.

Plantation Eight—[unattached] Am S. Hayes, Charley Berry, Alphonse Newhouse, Alex. Goldstein, Fred Dexter, Ed "P." Dangler, Si St. John, Henry Gundelfinger, Jo P. Carroll, J. T. Walden, Henry Roemer, D. Fennell, Billy F. Hall.

African Zion Entertainment.

What was announced in the program as a "Grand Christmas Tree, Concert, Necktie and Apron Social," was given last night at Nichols' Hall, by the ladies and gentlemen of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church for the benefit of the church fund. The admission fee was fixed at the low price of 10 cents, and an excellent poultry dinner was spread for 25 cents per month.

The success of the affair is largely due to the ladies and gentlemen on the following committees:

Refreshments—Mesdames John Bass, Floyd Knox (assisted by Mrs. N. Partie), Cowans, Spikes, Marion Hall, D. Hargrave, White, Christian, Moore, Carter, Harris and Ramsey.

Ice cream—Mrs. V. P. Chamberlain and Mr. Baskins.

China and toys—Mrs. Sallie Winters, Miss Pattie Carter and Miss Frances Pennick.

The following program was well-rendered:

A recitation, Mrs. Samuel Roundtree; "Scrapewell," S. Philips, J. Philips and Sam Mars; An Essay on Christmas Day, Mrs. V. P. Chamberlain; "The Negro Who Stole a Sheep and Beat Both Judge and Lawyer," Messrs. Wilson, S. Mars, S. Philips and J. M. Philips; "What Is it to Be a Man?" Sam Mars; a tableau scene, "Simply to the Cross I Cling."

FIELD OF SPORT.

No Chance for Fair Play in English Rings.

The hoodlumism displayed this morning at the Slavin-Smith fight is nothing new to those who are acquainted with ring fighting in England. The past history of prize fighting shows conclusively that foreigners stand no show when contesting there with an English fighter. The fact that Slavin was kicked by the Britishers when forced to the ropes by Smith causes it to be generally believed that Smith was getting the worst of the fight. If he had convinced the cowardly crowd that he had Slavin under control there would have been no reason for Slavin being attacked.

Many of the American pugilists who have fought in England or in the presence of Englishmen have complained of unfair treatment, and say there is no fairness there. In America as well as Australia there are very few, if any, instances where both contestants did not have the same show in the ring. With the exception of the recent fight between Jackson and Smith, which was witnessed behind the closed doors of the Pelican Club, there has never been a time when an American fighter has entered the ring with a feeling of confidence that he was good to meet his antagonist with equal fairness. The Slavin-Smith fight will probably be a warning to American and [illegible].—S. F. Post.

WHAT THE STORM DID.

Damage More Serious Than at First Reported.

As reports came in from various sources regarding the storm it was found that much more damage had been inflicted than was at first supposed. It is impossible to give anything like a correct estimate of the losses, which are placed between $50,000 and $100,000. The damage sustained by streets will put the city to a heavy expense and is the strongest possible argument for the exercise of greater care in their construction, especially in the matter of guttering. Of course the storm was the principal topic for conversation in all circles yesterday, as it was unquestionable the most serious that has occurred in the city for many years. Street Superintendent Pettingill had a large force of men at work repairing the worst breaks in the streets and demolished bridges. Bridges on D, F, G, H, I, J and K streets will have to be repaired or rebuilt. Three houses were destroyed in Switzer's Canon.

The Pacific Beach race track was demolished by a stream that came down Rose's Canyon and was deflected across the north side of the grounds across the track, in the neighborhood of the Judges' stand. It is estimated that fully one-fourth of a mile of the track has been washed away on the east side, and several hundred feet more on the west side at the grand stand. The water at one time was five feet deep and backed up the hill to the Pavillion. Several of the lower sheds, down near the private gates, were also washed down.

A. G. Gassen and G. W. Rifenberg left for the track early yesterday morning, and before leaving announced their intention of making arrangements for the repair of the track at once.

The chief damage to the Pacific Beach railroad occurred at the trestle bridge, where about 300 feet of track was dislodged. It can be replaced in a day or two.

On the way up from National City yesterday morning City Clerk Gassaway met with an accident which came perilously near proving fatal to him and Miss Alice Gordon, Mrs. Gassaway's sister. In attempting to cross Chollos Creek near the brewery the horse stepped off a precipice, drawing the vehicle and the occupants into about twelve feet of water. Mrs. Gassaway wisely decided that it would be safer to cross on a plank. The horse plunged clear out of sight, and Mr. Gassaway and Miss Gordon were submerged, but the former swam out with his companion. It was a close call, but the popular official's coolness enabled him to emerge from the peril with nothing more serious than a ducking in cold, muddy water and several contusions. Miss Gordon suffered considerably by the shock and the chill.—San Diego Union.

BUNKO IN LONDON IN 1816.

How the Wily Sharpers Got a Drop on the Silly Greenhorns.

Money droppers are no other than gamblers, who contrive that method to begin play. It is an almost obsolete practice, and its twin cheat, ring dropping, not less disused. "What is this?" says the dropper. "My wiggy! if this is not a leather purse with money! Ha! ha! ha! Let's have a look at it." While he unfolds its contents his companion comes up and claims a title to a share. "Not you, indeed!" replies the finder, "this gentleman was next to me, was not you, sir?" To which the countryman assenting, or, perhaps, insisting upon his priority, the finder declares himself no churl in the business, offers to divide it into three parts, and points out a public house at which they may share the contents and drink over their good luck, etc. The found money is counterfeit, or screens, or else Fleet notes. They drink. An old friend comes in whom the finder can barely recognize, but remembers him by piecemeal. La bagatelle, the draught-board or cards exhibit the means of staking the easily acquired property so lately found, but which they cannot divide just now for want of change. The countryman bets, and, if he loses, is called on to pay. If he wins, it is added to what is coming to him out of the purse. If, after an experiment or two, they discover he has little or no money, they run off and leave him to answer for his reckoning.—London Globe.

Interesting Inquiries.

Is the divorce of literature and the stage complete, or is it still only partial? As the lawyers say, is it a vinculo or only a mensa et thoro? And if this divorce is permanent is it a good thing for literature or the stage? Is the present condition of the stage a degeneration, as some say, or is it a natural evolution of an art independent of literature.

How long is it since a play has been written and accepted and played which has in it any so-called literary quality or is an addition to literature? And what is dramatic art as at present understood and practiced by the purveyors of plays for the public? If anyone can answer these questions he will contribute something to the discussions about the tendency of the modern stage.—Charles Dudley Warner in the Critic.

A Lucky Visalian.

Mr. Slocumb, who keeps a saloon at Visalia, and who is known as the boss snorer of the great San Joaquin Valley, returned home from San Francisco last Tuesday night and on overhauling his lottery tickets found that he had a coupon of the winning number and that he was $15,000 richer. He became so elated at his good fortune that he opened his saloon to the public all day yesterday and refused to receive any money over the counter.

CELESTIAL GAMBLERS.

Stockton's Police Commissioners Investigating.

THE STORM IN THE SOUTH.

The Postmaster at Turlock Arrested—A Cave on the California & Oregon.

STOCKTON, December 26.—For several years past it has been charged that Chinese gamblers here regularly paid assessments for a fund to be used for protection, the charges were renewed. The Police Commissioner commenced investigation to learn, if possible, where the money was used. All members of the police force were examined, but no direct evidence was brought out to connect anyone with the charge of bribery.

Several officers testified that the Chinamen said money was raised for the police, but the men got none of it. The investigation was resumed to-night, and two Chinamen, Gee Lock and Ah Lucy, an interpreter, were examined, it having been reported that they collected assessments amounting to $100 weekly. Both Chinamen knew nothing and knew of no gambling, but both acknowledged that they maintained opium joints. Inquiry into the money matter will be continued next week.

FROM LOS ANGELES.

The Southern Metropolis Still Cut Off From Railroad Communication.

LOS ANGELES, December 26.—The heavy rains of the last few days continued this morning. All trains from the north, east and south are now cut off, and the damage to tracks is very great. The Santa Fe officials estimate that the loss on that line will already reach $200,000, and the loss on the Southern Pacific lines will reach $150,000. The country from here to the ocean is flooded and many miles of track is under water. The Southern Pacific bridge at El Monte has been washed away and the passengers were brought here on a handcar. It will be several days before the line is open to San Francisco. Great damage has been done to the street cable lines and bridges in this city. Several bridges are gone entirely. Many houses in the low lands are flooded and the families are driven out. It is reported that the house of James Ryan, on the river bank, was washed away and that the whole family is missing. The levee is broken in several places. Fully twenty-five inches of rain has fallen this season.

Four overland trains are blockaded at Barstow. Repair parties, with material, are busy at work everywhere, but it will take some time to put the roads in running order. Between here and Mojave several stretches of 1000 feet of the Southern Pacific track is washed away and there in innumerable smaller breaks, with many missing trestles and several large bridges gone. The passengers, mail and baggage of the Southern Pacific overland, due Tuesday, but delayed at Colton, arrived here this afternoon. The other trains are scattered along between Colton and Tucson.

For the first time in four weeks the night is clear and bright. The rain ceased about noon to-day, after a grand total of 24.21 inches had fallen for the season. The water in the river has been sinking rapidly to-day. Definite reports are being received as to the damage done. General Manager Wade of the Santa Fe says the company lost one bent of the Buena Vista street bridge and five bents in the Ninth street bridge in this city. The bridge across the San Gabriel river at Rivera is a complete wreck. Numerous washouts have occurred on all the lines.

DAGGETT.

More Bridges Washed Away and Railroad Traffic Suspended.

DAGGETT, Cal., December 26.—The rain continued up to midnight. The weather is cloudy. The Mojave river was higher last evening than ever known before, overflowing the Calico bridge. The bridge was saved by a sudden change in the course of the water, which cut through the south bank, overflowing the desert. The roadway of the southern approach is badly washed. Trains are unable to get across at present.

The overflow filled the town well with sand. The pumphouse is two feet under water. The water has fallen six feet since midnight last night, but is expected to rise again. The railroad bridge near Barstow now has twenty bents and 250 feet of the bank gone. This will probably cut off communication with the north for several days. Three small houses were washed away at Barstow and several others are under water. The river was running partly through the main street yesterday evening, but is now running in the regular channel. All ranches along the river are flooded and greatly damaged.

A Cave on the California & Oregon.

REDDING, Cal., December 26.—The north-bound train on the California & Oregon road has been delayed here all day, caused by the caving in of a tunnel near Kennett. A car in the middle of a freight train had on board a snow-shovel, the derrick of which, being higher than the tunnel, struck the timbers, causing a cave and fastening the cars in the tunnel, with the caboose at one end and the engine at the other, outside of the tunnel. It is expected to have the road clear to-night.

Navigation of the Sacramento.

SACRAMENTO, December 26.—The Board of Trade this afternoon decided to incorporate, with a capital stock of $200,000. The board also decided to call a convention of delegates from all the counties of Northern California, to be held in this city on January 17th, to discuss ways and means of preserving the navigation of the Sacramento river and take steps toward memorializing Congress on the subject.

"California on Wheels."

SAN FRANCISCO, December 26.—"California on Wheels" reached New Orleans to-day. Up to date 60,000 people have visited the cars, and at Columbia, in Texas, 2000 passed through in five hours. A good market for California fruit and wine was found at Antonia, Texas.

A Change of Venue.

SAN FRANCISCO, December 26.—Mrs. Sarah Althea Terry gave notice to-day that on January 10th she would move for a change of venue to Fresno county of the suit brought by the Pacific Mutual Life Insurance Company to determine the relative rights of Mrs. Terry and Clinton B. Terry and administration of the estate of David S. Terry, deceased, to collect the amount of $5000 insurance policy on the life of the latter.

THE CHARLESTON.

The New Cruiser Put in Commission Yesterday.

VALLEJO, December 26.—The United States cruiser Charleston went into commission to-day at the Mare Island navy yard. Commander Louis Kempf formally turned the cruiser over to Captain George C. Remey. The American jack and the stars and stripes were hoisted, and the Captain's pennant was raised to the masthead. The band of the receiving ship Independence played the "Star Spangled Banner" as the flags were raised. Commodore A. E. K. Benham and the officers attached to the navy yard and a large number of [illegible] for sea until February.

Mails Delayed by the Storm.

SAN FRANCISCO, December 26.—C. E. Stewart of Los Angeles has been appointed additional clerk for the railway line between Los Angeles and this city. Mail sent from here for points east and south, and which has been accumulating at Mojave in consequence of the washouts between the latter place and Los Angeles, was sent back to this city today.

All mail for the gulf states, Arizona and New Mexico will be dispatched by the Central Pacific by Ogden until the breaks in the Southern Pacific can be repaired. There has been no mail service on the Pacific Coast railway line between Port Harford and Los Olives for two days, as the train has been blockaded at Santa Maria.

Fell Downstairs.

SPOKANE FALLS, December 26.—W. E. Kidder, a middle-aged man with a family, died at 9 o'clock this evening under peculiar circumstances. At 5 o'clock Kidder left his home for a pitcher of beer. At the saloon to which he went the proprietor had to go into the cellar to open a new keg. Kidder fell through the hatchway into the cellar, it is said, but he did not seem to be much injured. He went home and attended to some things about the house and then went to bed. In a few moments he stiffened out, and his wife becoming frightened called a doctor, who found the man dead when he arrived.

He Went to His Death.

SAN ANDREAS, December 26.—The latest information from Angels gives the fact that George Williams, boss timberman, at noon on the day of the accident was very nervous, telling his wife of the unsafe condition of the mine. She begged him not to go down, but he said his reputation was at stake and that he would try to secure the timbers. With the men under his control he went to his death. Superintendent Lone told him before entering not to go to work if he had any fears.

A Dishonest Postmaster.

SAN FRANCISCO, December 26.—Edward W. Pierce, the postmaster, and a prominent business man of Turlock, Stanislaus county, arrived here to-day in the custody of a United States Deputy Marshal, and was turned over to Marshal Franks. He was arrested on an indictment found against him by the United States Grand Jury, on December 23d, charging him with embezzling about $2500, in his capacity of postmaster.

Passengers Must Go By Water.

SACRAMENTO, December 26.—No railroad tickets are being sold here for points further south than Mojave. Passengers arriving from the East by the overland trains with tickets for Los Angeles are sent to San Francisco, where they are provided with passage by steamer.

A New China Steamer.

SAN FRANCISCO, December 26.—The new Pacific mail steamer China sailed for Yokohama and Hongkong this afternoon. Captain Seabury states that he will endeavor to make a run between this port and Yokohama in fourteen days.

Gale in Pennsylvania.

BRADFORD, Pa., December 25.—A terrific gale has prevailed all day, and a thousand oil derricks in this region were blown down. In Bradford several houses were badly damaged, and many people had narrow escapes from serious injury. The pecuniary losses are considerable.

Emin Pasha's Condition.

ZANZIBAR, December 26.—Two hundred and fifty followers of Emin Pasha will sail for Suez to-morrow. Emin will not be able to leave Bagamoyo for three weeks. Stanley will sail for Egypt on December 30th.

Murderous Indians.

PIERRE, S. D., December 26.—It is stated by reliable parties from Fort Sully that there is trouble with the Indians at that place. It is also stated that the Indians have killed several settlers near the Fort.

An Indian Murdered.

NIAGARA FALLS, December 26.—Alexander Williams, a Tuscarora Indian, and a brother of the Grand Sachem, was found murdered in his house on the Indian reservation yesterday. Williams' wife is supposed to have committed the deed.

Ill at San Jose.

SAN JOSE, December 26.—J. R. Brierly of Los Angeles is seriously ill at the residence of his sister, Mrs. G. W. Tarleton, in this city.

Destructive Fire at Sydney.

SYDNEY, December 26.—A fire destroyed the wharves of the New Zealand Steamship Company, with a large quantity of stored produce.

A Coal Famine Feared.

BRUSSELS, December 26.—The strike at the Charleroi mines is spreading and a coal famine is feared.

Lively War on a Salamander.

Yesterday a salamander was discovered in the yard of St. Agnes' Academy, and the young ladies of the institution waged war on the horrid monster. Armed with brooms, sticks, pokers and other deadly weapons, they surrounded the poor little fellow and made him a prisoner. He is about five inches long, being full-grown, and has yellow spots on his body and tail. This is the first salamander known to have been found in this city.—Stockton Mail.

Free.

Call at Burks & Monroe, druggists, and get a trial bottle of "Peacock's Bone Liniment and Hot Drops." Burks & Monroe, agents. de17d&w1m1p*

THE TARIFF.

Revision Begun by the Ways and Means Committee.

THE RACE WAR IN GEORGIA.

Three Children Burned to Death—A Terrific Storm in New York—Railroad Matters.

WASHINGTON, December 26.—The first of a series of tariff hearing was mapped out by the House Committee on Ways and Means at a meeting held this morning their views.

J. J. Demings of New York urged against the reduction of the duty on iron ore. Galusha Growe of Pennsylvania advocated the reduction of the duty on coal, but maintained that a proviso should be added declaring that the reduced duty should apply only to the products of such foreign countries as did not urge the abolition of the tariff, but that it should be fixed at a rate to cover the difference in wages in United States and Canada. Charles F. Mayer, President of the Consolidated Coal Company of Maryland, protested against any reduction in coal duty.

At the evening session the importation of lead ore and its relation to the tariff was discussed by Oscar Reen, representing the Newark (N. J.) Smelting Works, Hon. H. Townsend of Colorado, Hon. W. Bostine of Nevada and others.

SANGUINARY RIOTS.

The Encounters Between Whites and Blacks at Jessup.

SAVANNAH, Ga., December 26.—Advices from Jessup at midnight, say: "The situation is somewhat quieter, but an occasional shot is heard. The streets are still paraded by armed men. A negro was found dead in an alley a few moments ago and two others of the wounded are reported dying. Fear is now entertained for the safety of the people remaining in the neighboring towns, but as all the negroes and whites seem congregated here, very little danger need be apprehended." A Savannah special says: "Twenty negroes were killed in the riot at and around Jessup yesterday before darkness came on. The Georgia Hussars of this city, under command of W. W. Gordon, are patrolling the village this morning. There is intense excitement over the killing of Deputy Marshal Matthew Barnhill and lumberman W. H. Woods. Marshal D. Leggett and Station Agent M. J. Woods, who were badly wounded, are resting easily to-day and it is expected that both will recover.

While the negroes were retreating to a swamp several of their white pursuers were slightly wounded. Marshal Leggett and another citizen were fatally wounded. Armed reinforcements from neighboring villages arrived promptly and with nearly all the ably bodied whites of Jessup and many friendly negroes a descent was made on the rioters. The negroes were well supplied with Winchesters and revolvers and made a sortie from one side of the swamp. They stood their ground for a very short time as the scrub trees did not afford much protection. Several were shot down in the scramble for shelter in their retreat to a dense cane break. During the night an occasional shot was heard in the village.

Reports of the origin of the trouble differ, but the most reliable story fixes "Bob" Brewer as the cause. Brewer is a notorious negro desperado, who for years has been the terror of Southwest Georgia. He was in town to celebrate to-day, carrying a Winchester. All went well until midday, when trouble originated in a crowd of negroes in the street. Brewer seemed to be one of the principals in the difficulty. Assistant Marshal Brownhall ordered the crowd to disperse, and some of the negroes did so, but Brewer became very abusive. When Brownhall ordered him to leave town he levelled his rifle at the Marshal and cried "Halt!"

Brownhall continued to advance, and had almost reached the desperado when the latter fired. Brownhall fell, mortally wounded. Several white witnesses rushed toward Brewer to secure him. One of these is supposed to have been W. S. Woods, who was shot and instantly killed. The blacks and whites separated and the firing became general. The whites fought desperately, and by a grand rally drove the negroes out of town, there being a running fight, both sides keeping up the firing. The blacks took shelter in a swamp and disappeared. Then the firing ceased. It was merely a plan for an ambush, as was shown when one of the more venturesome of the pursuers was shot and killed.

A special from Jessup, dated at 6 P. M., says that Mayor Hobbs has called a public meeting to take steps to defend the town to-night. It is believed that Brewer is near, with a large force of negroes. The citizens are arming to aid the Brunswick Rifles, in case of an outbreak.

A Deadly Feud.

MUSKOGEE, Ind. T., December 25.—A telephone communication from Tahlequah, the capital of the Cherokee Nation, announces a general fight, in which David Williams was killed and Mose Crittenden, a penitentiary guard, mortally wounded. Several others were slightly hurt. An old grudge between the principals, revived by whiskey, is given as the prime cause.

In attempting to arrest Boudinot Barres, the murderer of S. M. Morgan, late to-day, at Askiff Landing, Arkansas river, Marshal Davis was mortally wounded. The body of Morgan was buried to-day.

The Sealing Lease.

PHILADELPHIA, December 26.—Captain Kohle, the owner of a fifth interest in the Alaska Commercial Company, says the company proposes to bid for the new lease, as the property erected during the last twenty years is too valuable to surrender without trying for another lease. The sealing industry is not what it used to be. The fisheries suffer from extensive poaching by British vessels from Victoria. The revenue cutter sent by the United States was too small to be formidable to poachers. He doesn't think the contract will necessarily go to the highest bidder.

Dakota Financially Embarrassed.

BISMARCK, N. D., December 26.—Governor Mellette says that South Dakota will be obliged to close up some of her institutions. The receipts of the state will fall so far short of the expenses that there is apparently no other alternative. In North Dakota Governor Miller, in his message to the Legislature, estimated a deficiency for the first year of nearly $150,000. It is now believed that it will largely exceed this amount.

An Injunction Granted.

NEW YORK, December 26.—Judge Patterson to-day handed down a decision, in the suit of certain stockholders of the old Houston & Texas Railroad Company, containing an injunction restraining the Central Trust Company, C. P. Huntington and others from issuing the stock of the reorganized Houston & Texas Central company.

A plan of reorganizing is provided so that the stockholders might have an equal amount of stock in the new company upon payment of 73 per cent. If they did not come on these terms the Southern Pacific Railroad Company was to have the privilege of taking untaken ership of the railroad, in order to make it tributary to their own lines. The old stockholders are entitled to the details of the indebtedness, in order to make effectual any judgment. He prohibits the distribution of the stock of the new corporation until after the trial of the action.

A New York Cyclone.

SYRACUSE, December 26. The People's line of street railway barns were blown down this morning and several horses were killed. The cyclone came from the southwest and swept across Onondaga Lake at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, prostrating many structures. It caught up and carried a great volume of water wildly before it. It struck the barn of the Peoples' Street Railway company and carried away the cornice and roof and overflowing the front walls, a mass of brick and timber was hurled into the building, doing much damage. Charles A. Nichols, assistant superintendent, was instantly killed, and several employes were more or less seriously hurt.

A Railroad Change.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., December 26.—It is now settled that all the general offices of the Louisville, Evansville & St. Louis railroad are to be located at Evansville, with the probable exception of the freight department. Officials in the general passenger and ticket and general baggage departments have been notified to make ready to move to Evansville at once. The move will be made this week, and the business departments will be resumed in Evansville on January 1st.

Killed by Officers.

VANCE, Tex., December 26.—At McKenzie Lake, fifty miles from here, a man was killed last Saturday while resisting arrest. It is thought it is Rube Barrows, the celebrated bandit. Barrows was believed to be in this locality and the Sheriff of Kimball county was out with his deputies looking for him. On Saturday he came upon a man who answered the description of the fugitive and called on him to surrender. He showed fight and the officers fired in self-defense.

Violent Storm in New York.

NEW YORK, December 26.—A strong wind storm visited this city this afternoon, accompanied by thunder and lightning. In Brooklyn a three-story frame building in course of erection was blown down. Three carpenters buried in the ruins were badly injured. In Jersey City, Samuel Bautcher was killed by being struck by a limb of a tree which was blown down.

Children Burned to Death.

OMAHA, December 26.—Three children of Mrs. Lena Schrip were burned to death this morning. The woman's husband deserted her eight months ago, and she has been earning her living by doing washing. This morning she started the kitchen fire and went out, locking the door. The house caught fire and the children burned to death in the presence of a hundred people.

A Serious Outlook.

PARIS, December 26.—The epidemic has assumed a graver type, and many cases are now complicated with pneumonia. In consequence of the constantly increasing crowd at the hospitals, the authorities are erecting tents for the sufferers. The undertakers are overworked, and many of their employes are down.

Coal Mines Closed Down.

PHILADELPHIA, December 26.—The Delaware, Lackawanna and Western and Pennsylvania Coal Companies have shut down nearly all their mines on account of the stagnation in the coal trade. Nearly 6000 men are thrown out of employment.

Killed at a Christmas Party.

LEBANON, Mo., December 26.—James Carter, 17 years of age, was killed at a Christmas party last night at Bank Branch, by a man named Jennings. Carter and other boys attended the party uninvited, and a quarrel arose among those present.

A Strike Spreading.

BRUSSELS, December 26.—The strike of the coal miners in the Charleroi district is spreading. The strikers now number 10,400.

A KERNOOZER.

What Art and Science Owe to This Form of Theft.

Theft of memorial brasses, and displacement, neglect or loss of armor, from church tombs have been occasioning correspondence in the daily papers. Kernoozers may still rescue a great deal of the latter from oblivion, as, like all true connoisseurs, they are enthusiasts. Indeed, the words kernoozer, kernoozling are but a humorous traversity on connoisseur. It was created thus: A man who was of humble birth and no education became so mixed up with artists that he gathered much knowledge on matters connected with art and developed a taste to some extent for studying armor. He was often found in the celebrated Christie auction-room, and on one occasion when armor was under hammer, he of the rostrum asked Mr. —— what was his opinion of the pieces, but Mr. — —— excused himself from giving any on the ground that he was no kernoozer. When a club of armor virtuosi was formed, and a name desired for it, some one suggested the adoption of Kernoozer, and now its sense (or nonsense) is so extended that a verb is formed—I kernooze, you kernooze, he kernoozes, I should kernoozle, he should kernoozle, etc. Truly, the Lindley Murray or lexicographer of the latter half of the nineteenth century has his work cut out for him.—The Exchange and Mark.

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ASPIRANTS for county office are already planning their campaign for 1890.

THE Sacramento valley seems to be the only section of the state where any great damage has yet resulted from the rain.

STATE and county taxes becomes delinquent next Monday, and property-owners can save 5 per cent by paying up before that time.

WITH the commencement of work on the Fresno & Monterey Railroad would date the beginning of an era of great prosperity to this city.

FRANCE is increasing her importation of American cider at a startling rate, and a similar increase of American importation of French champagne is also noticeable.

ONE hundred and twenty manufacturing concerns were destroyed in the Lynn Massachusetts fire, or more than

BUTTER, eggs and cheese are imported into the Eastern states from Europe, and many carloads of the same articles are imported from the East into California. This state ought to ship these products to the East.

CHICKEN thieves are getting in their work again quite extensively in this city. Citizens having a few fine fowls should let the fact be generally known and then lie in wait for the thieves with a well-loaded blunderbuss.

FROST was sufficiently heavy yesterday morning for the first time this season to kill tomato vines growing out in the open air, and wholly unprotected, in Fresno. No other damage has been reported and that arising from this cause is very small.

ONE of the most prominent members of the Democratic party of the Pacific Coast for the past score of years—Frank G. Newlands—has announced that henceforth he intends to be a Republican. His presence in Democratic councils will be sadly missed.

HOLIDAY trade has been very dull this year because of the muddy condition of the roads and the continued inclemency of the weather. Taxpaying time has also exercised a greater influence against business than ever before, owing to the largely increased amount of money being collected for taxes.

STRAWBERRY plants set early in the winter will bear the following season. For two seasons past the supply of berries in the local market has been far below the demand, and as no better paying crop can be grown on a limited area of ground, many new patches should be set out this winter.

Spain becomes violently agitated whenever the question of parting with her West Indian possessions is mentioned. Cuba should become an independent country or a part of the United States, but Spain knows a good source of revenue when she has it and will no doubt hold on to Cuba as long as possible.

IN selecting a successor to Mr. Schamp as resident agent at Fresno we hope that the Southern Pacific will choose as enterprising and courteous a gentleman as the retiring agent has proven himself to be. Fresno people appreciate Mr. Schamp and his earnest efforts to secure needed improvements for our city.

THERE is one thing the City Council should ever bear in mind while considering improvements in the Fire Department, and that is, that the insurance companies watch every move with deep concern. Any false step in connection with the proposed fire-alarm system will work to the lasting disadvantage of our city.

THE Republican government of Brazil has reconsidered the matter of pensioning Dom Pedro, and decides to let him earn his own living. As he has a large fortune in his own right the ex-Emperor should be able to pass the remainder of his days in peace and quiet. A republic has no business providing for a deposed monarch, and the Brazilian government has acted wisely in the matter.

THE report of the Grand Jury (first session) appears elsewhere in this issue. The jury makes a record of what it is going to do rather than of what it has done. Perhaps the report will be interesting reading to many large taxpayers who are now rustling to gather shekels enough together to pay their annual tithes to the county.

THE city council should give Big Dry Creek some attention in the consideration of possible overflow in case of continued heavy rain. There is no danger to be apprehended outside of a small portion of the residence quarter north of Tuolumne street, and that can be effectually protected at moderate expense. A few dollars expended before the flood may save considerable expense in the way of damage suits, however.

THE presence of the deposed Emperor of Brazil is causing uneasiness in Portugal and Spain, and even the King of Italy, and the Emperors of Austria, Russia and Germany avoid all conversation upon topics likely to lead up to a mention of the circumstances connected with the overthrow of the monarchy and the establishment of a republic in Brazil. Heads of European monarchies are anticipating equally times.

THE city of San Francisco has had the California Congressional delegation working for several sessions to secure an appropriation for the purchase of a postoffice site and for the erection of a postoffice building in keeping with the size and dignity of the city and the amount of business done therein by the postal department. The appropriation asked for the purchase of a site has gradually grown, from one session to another, from $400,000 to $1,000,000, and bids fair to reach double the latter sum before the bill appropriating the money is gotten through Congress. California real estate is rising in value almost as rapidly as a jack pot with each of the players holding a flush.

TEN ACRES ENOUGH.

Twenty acres used to be looked upon as entirely too small a farm for an average family to live upon. That idea was exploded several years ago in this vicinity, the colony people having demonstrated that they could not only live in comfort on twenty acres of irrigated land, but many of them actually accumulated moderate wealth. The ten-acre farm will in the near future become the most popular one where irrigation is practiced. Ten acres well cared for will yield a larger net return than fifty acres indifferently farmed or unirrigated. Five acres should be set either with raisin grape or one variety of standard fruit trees, such as peaches, apricots, pears, nectarines, or prunes. The remaining five acres, less the necessary site for house, barn, etc., should be devoted to berries and vegetables. On such a farm there is plenty of work to keep a family busy the year round, and there is not a month in the year but that some cash returns are not coming in from the sale of produce. The ordinary expenses of the family can be met in this manner, and not cut into the receipts from the orchard or vineyard. So little is known of the productive capacity of Fresno county irrigated lands that we are loth to publish facts, because of the doubt they would raise in the minds of people who would read them, and who are not fee it en print [illegible]

NEXT season there will be hundreds of tons of fruit in this county better adapted to canning than to drying. Other fruit-growing centers of the state have canneries, and Fresno should have one. There is nearly, if not quite, as large a profit in peaches, apricots, nectarines and pears as in a raisin-grape vineyard. The market for first-quality canned or dried fruit is now and always will be good, and it is in a diversity of crops from which the greatest prosperity is to be derived. One general crop is sure to fail at times, either in quantity or price, and a variety of other products to fall back upon during such seasons is all that can insure continued prosperity. Oranges, lemons, olives, figs, prunes and apples are all good supplemental fruit crops in this county, and many large orchards ought to be planted this winter. Several thousands of acres will be planted to raisin-grape vines, and double the acreage planted to vines should be planted to orchard. One cannot miss it in planting orchard. All that is necessary is to get the best varieties of the kind of fruit selected—no matter whether it be apples, peaches, pears or oranges.

IT is asserted that the brandy distillers of California have an organization among themselves similar to the "League of Freedom," the main purpose being to intimidate government officials in the revenue service. The plan is to raise a sum of money sufficient to employ special detectives to pry into the private character and official acts of men employed by the government. In case a distiller gets into trouble, the officer causing it will be the first object of attack. Should his record be beyond reproach at home, the agent of the distillers is to appear in Washington, and make his representations to heads of departments direct. And it is even claimed that more than one of the California Congressional delegation is cognizant of this plan. It would be interesting to the public to know at this time whether or not there is any truth in this rumored alliance, and also whether Mr. Drexler of the Fresno Vineyard Company knows anything about it. The seizure of his distillery gives an excellent opportunity for the officers to investigate the matter.

THE idea that revenue officers would seize property like that of the Fresno Vineyard Company for purposes of blackmail, or on account of spite, looks very much like an attempt to cast odium upon honest men who are in the employ of the Government, and whose only offense is performance of their plain duty. Revenue officials are lenient to a fault with dishonest distillers, and no case of seizure has ever yet came to our notice where sufficient grounds were lacking to justify it. The seizure of the Fresno Vineyard Company's property may be an exception, and we hope that it is, but until the evidence is all in we must uphold the officials who made the seizure, in what they consider the performance of the duty imposed upon them by the Government.

THE pressing of grapes is a very slow process, especially when the press is operated by hand. The pomace has to be removed after the juice has been extracted, and this also requires considerable time. A perforated tub, revolved about 1500 times per minute, would remove the juice from the pomace very quickly. If to this were added an automatic conveyer, so that the dry pomace could be removed as fast as the crushed grapes were introduced, the result would be an ideal wine press. If necessity were the mother of invention, Fresno ought to furnish a man who is equal to the occasion.

THE American navy has arrived on the coast of Portugal, or at least the three larger vessels of the squadron of evolution. The commander says they experienced very heavy weather on the Atlantic, and that the gunboat Yorktown evidently had to lie to until after the gale of snow and sleet had passed over. No anxiety was felt for her safety by the Admiral. The Chicago, Boston and Atlanta behaved nobly in the storm and proceeded steadily on their way, thus proving the success of American shipbuilders in the construction of a new navy.

THE urgent need of a first-class high school in Fresno is becoming more and more apparent every day. The city Board of Education is doing everything in its power to make our public schools efficient, but higher branches of study must be provided for students who now have to go to other cities to complete their education. A first-class college would not lack for students.

THE reappointment of J. E. Whitson to the position of Postmaster at Selma, in this county, is a signal triumph of justice, honesty and progress over wrong, selfishness, silurianism and Democratic intrigue. Since the present administration came into power there has been a bitter strife over the postoffice at Selma, waged upon one side by honorable and progressive Republicans and Democrats and upon the other by a few disgruntled Republicans and bilious Democrats, led by the Democratic ex-Postmaster. The appointment of Mr. Whitson means new and improved quarters for the office, in keeping with the size and importance of Selma. Now that the Postal Department has set matters right at Selma, it is to be hoped that the Fresno office will now receive needed attention.

SENATOR STANFORD'S HEAD.

About a year ago Senator Stanford announced that he was in search of a person of abnormal executive ability to take charge of his Palo Alto University. At the same time he allowed the world to know that if this phenomenon could not be found he would himself man the wheel. We perceive by an interview telegraphed recently from Washington that Mr. Stanford has abandoned hope of discovering a full-grown miracle, since all he seeks now is an assistant—"a brilliant young man of executive talent (not necessarily a college man) to take the position of vice-president, and enter on probation, as it were, looking to his probable advancement when his capacity is proved. He must," the Senator adds, "be a man able to handle large affairs."

It ought to be the fervent hope of the people of the Pacific Coast that the Senator's modest eye will fail to light upon his assistant. Let us trust that Mr. Stanford will have to do all the bossing himself. Since the position of President of the University is one that calls for executive ability, possibly an experience of three or four years in the discharge of the difficult duties would develop some executive ability in the Senator, old as he is. Then he might be induced to exercise his new talent in the management of the Southern Pacific and leased lines.

At present these roads are run in a manner that makes Eastern railroad men wonder and laugh. The Fourth and Townsend street office is a sort of junk shop, where may be found all the antiquated notions which modern transportation managers discarded years ago. As compared with a first-class railroad on the Atlantic side the Southern Pacific is as a stage coach compared with the Southern Pacific.

Consider the matter of speed. The trains on Mr. Stanford's lines are habitually run at a rate about equal to that achieved by ocean steamers in heavy weather. For instance, the trip from Fresno to San Francisco, 206 miles, consumes nine hours—twenty-three miles an hour—although the track is practically as level as a table, and for most of the distance as straight as a wire fence. The trip should be made in half the time. It was done a few weeks ago when a party of Eastern railroaders were whirled through. A doubling of the ordinary speed would not bring it up to the ordinary standard on such roads as the Pennsylvania and New York Central, where you are borne along at the rate of from fifty to sixty miles an hour.

Stupidity and parsimony are the only discernable reasons for the crawling trains on the Southern Pacific, and the Southern Pacific whizzes in comparison with the Central. It is the fault of the latter that the overland journey is not made in four days. But the tracks of the Central are in so shocking a condition that it would not be safe to try for more than twenty miles an hour on level ground.

If Senator Stanford had a little of the executive ability he is looking for in an assistant to help him manage a school he would have his tracks properly ballasted and well spiked down; he would look beyond the spigot of expenditure for fuel and wear of rolling stock to the bung of receipts, out of which profits would pour—and just double the speed schedule.

What that would mean to Fresno and every other town on the Southern Pacific, any business man can appreciate. The change would affect the interests of California as a timely fall of rain does a growing crop.

The injection of executive and general ability into the management of the Stanford lines would put an end to the unjust discrimination, which injures alike the places subjected to it and the railroad itself. If the right sort of brains were housed at Fourth and Townsend streets Fresno would be made a terminal point, instead of being compelled, as now, to pay way rates to Stockton before being permitted to ship her products East. Fresno furnishes a great deal more business to the railroad than Stockton does, but Stockton happens to have something which Fresno has not—water communication with the outside world. So Stockton can compel the railroad to treat her decently. A corporation rationally managed would not wait until forced before aiding in the development of cities whose growth means increased work for the engines and cars.

Senator Stanford has a great head, but as a railroad man he is in the freshman class.

FOR LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

While the possible and probable candidates for Governor on the respective party tickets, next year, have received much space in the press of the state lately, we have noticed but few references to the equally important office of Lieutenant-Governor. The Herald of Banning, San Bernardino county, of recent date says: "Some Central California papers have mentioned our friend Mr. Frank P. Taylor in connection with the Republican nomination for Lieutenant-Governor. He comes of good stock. Public affairs in Indiana are not unacquainted with that family. This particular member of it was promising and reliable as a young man in the university when we knew him, and we know California would make no mistake if she determined to employ him in her public service."

From an intimate acquaintance with Mr. Taylor during the past six or seven years, we are satisfied that no better piece of Lieutenant-Gubernatorial timber can be found in the state, and no name where known would add more strength to the Republican ticket. Give us a man with as clean a public and private character, with the business ability and sterling political qualities of Frank P. Taylor for the head of the ticket, with our Tulare friend for the second place, and there can be no shadow of doubt that the Republicans will roll up a majority next year greater than ever before known in the history of the state.

PAPER THIEVES.

There is much complaint on account of the petty thieves who steal newspapers from the doors of subscribers. The depredations of these sneaks are becoming more bold and frequent. From three to a dozen business men complain daily of the loss of their papers from their places of business.

A gentleman came to this office yesterday morning and said that he left his MORNING REPUBLICAN lying on his desk while absent from his office less than five minutes, and that some one who was evidently watching for the opportunity sneaked in and carried it off. These thieves are not always loafers or bummers, as would be expected. The same gentleman informs us that some weeks ago he missed his REPUBLICAN and at the same time noticed that a wealthy citizen had just left his office. He followed the coupon clipper half a block and asked him if he had not picked up his paper and carried it off. The gentleman looked for a moment as though he were going to resent the base insinuation, but changing his expression to one of injured innocence he pulled the paper from his pocket and handed it over, saying that he thought probably the subscriber had read it. Of the two criminals, this class of thief is worse than the wretch who hasn't a nickle in his pocket but has an incontrolable appetite for news. There are a certain class of men stingy to pay 5 cents for a newspaper. They are not fit subjects for charity, but if they will call at this office we will give them a paper each morning. We prefer to do this rather than have them annoy our subscribers by borrowing or stealing their papers.

By the way, if one of these fellows is caught stealing a paper his bank account will not prevent him from being prosecuted to the extent of the law. We will pay a reward of $5 for evidence that will secure the conviction of any Fresno paper thief.

SEEDLESS raisins for culinary purposes must sooner or later come into general favor. The presence of seeds in raisins used in puddings, fruit cakes, mince pies, etc., detracts materially from the pleasure of eating such luxuries, and it is an aggravating task to "stone" raisins before using them for such purposes. Whenever it becomes generally known, therefore, that the same quality of raisin can be secured in a smaller berry without the annoying seeds, such raisins will not be of slow sale. The Sultana grape makes a fair seedless raisin as also does the white Corinth, but another candidate for public favor—the Thompson seedless—is undoubtedly superior to either. Fresno growers should give a little more attention to seedless raisins, and after they are properly grown and cured they should then be stemmed and properly separated into about three grades for marketing. Seedless raisins will probably never command such fancy prices as Dehesia Clusters or London Layers of the Muscat variety, but there is no good reason why the seedless variety, with proper marketing, will not soon occupy the field as first quality cooking raisins, and give much better satisfaction than the second grade fruit with seeds.

WHAT THE CENSUS WILL SHOW.

When the census reports of 1880 were compiled California was credited with a population of 864,694, an increase of 304,447 or about 63 per cent over the number of people living in the state in 1870. Since the census of 1880 was taken the increase of population in California has been greater in actual numbers than for the ten years preceding that date, but whether or not the same ratio of percentage has been maintained only the returns of the census enumerators next spring can decide. It is our opinion that the percentage of increase attained from 1870 to 1880 has been fully maintained since, and that the returns will show an increase of about 545,000, which will bring the total population of the state up to something over 1,410,000.

The increase in taxable wealth of the state has kept pace with the wonderful growth in population. In 1880 the value of real estate and improvements footed up $466,273,585, including railroads and their equipments. The value of personal property, money, etc., amounted to $118,304,451, making a total for all property in the state of $584,578,036. For the year 1889, which figures will be still further increased next year, we find the value of real property, including railroads and their equipments, amounts to $940,929,143; personal property, money, etc., $170,661,836; total, $1,111,590,979. Increase in nine years, $527,012,943, or nearly 100 per cent. Comparative figures relative to the products of mines, fields, forests and manufactories would be equally interesting could they be given.

Many new points will be taken into consideration in compiling the next census which did not appear in the last. California has more at stake in the coming census than any other state in the Union. With a greater diversity of interests to be looked after, more territory to be covered, the worst mixed population, with products unknown to any other section of the country and a general disposition in the East to question every published statement in relation to California, our people cannot afford to trust the matter of census taking to incompetent or inexperienced people. Central California has more at stake, perhaps, than either the northern or southern districts.

VALUE OF HOME PRODUCTION.

More attention should be given to the growing of vegetables in Fresno county. Just as good potatoes, onions, cabbage and beans can be produced in this county as are grown elsewhere in the state, and yet hundreds of carloads of such stuff are annually shipped into Fresno by dealers in country produce. Two and three crops of vegetables cannot be grown annually upon the same ground anywhere on the plains, to be sure, but one crop, yielding a net return from two to three times as great as a crop of wheat or barley is not to be sneezed at. There are thousands of acres of good land lying idle in this county now that will eventually to be planted to orchard or vineyard, the owners of which will not incur the expense of starting an orchard or vineyard this season. Others own land who do not take kindly to fruit-growing, and who are not satisfied either with their past experience in raising small grain or stock. To this latter class the business of growing staple vegetables for market should commend itself. Those owning land which they cannot themselves work or improve should endeavor to secure a renter who will supply the local market with some article now imported from other parts of this state or from Oregon. A community that produces a surplus of one or two crops, which is shipped abroad and sold for $5,000,000, and then expends that sum for articles produced abroad to be shipped in and consumed at home, will never grow rich. It is the community that produces its own subsistence, and has a surplus to be disposed of to the outside world, that enjoys continued prosperity. Fresno county already produces many million of dollars worth of salable produce that cannot be consumed at home, but her people seem to have, in a measure, overlooked the very important matter of producing such articles of general consumption as are most used and for which such large sums of money are continually being sent out of the county for. It is by stopping this outflow of money as well as by increasing the amount coming into the county that the wealth of our people will be permanently increased.

ORANGE CULTURE.

The business of growing oranges in Fresno county has attracted the attention of Southern California orange-growers and also those most interested in the matter in the northern citrus belt. Our [illegible] expect to come in cording to how the wind blows. Even the horticultural editor of the Expositor must have his say in the matter, no difference whether it carries any weight or not. In a recent issue of our evening contemporary appeared the following in regard to varieties best suited to this section:

"Late varieties or even medium late should not be planted. The earlier the variety the better, as long as it is good enough for the general market. The Washington Navel is a fine orange where it will do well, but we think it is much overrated, and the craze for that variety will probably subside in the course of time. We had better look to Florida for varieties suitable for the climate. The Azorean, Michel, the Joffa and Hermosassa are all varieties which would do well here. The Mediterranean Sweet is also a variety of great earliness, and as such, valuable for our early climate. Lemon culture is less suited for our thermal belt."

To this the California Fruit-Grower responds in these words: "The writer, feeling much interested in Fresno's horticultural future, recently took occasion to visit the orange groves on Kings river. The trees are healthy, free from scale and are bearing well; but, the industry is not sufficiently developed to know for a certainty to what extent it may be safely carried, and it is well to proceed cautiously. It is stated in the quotation that the earlier the orange the better. This is a mistake. It would be literally true in Florida, but in California the later the crop the more valuable; and, to this very lateness of ripening is due a considerable portion of the prosperity of California's orange-growers. The fruit is placed upon the market after all the shipments from Florida and foreign countries are disposed of. If our oranges were early they would have to be sold in competition, whereas they now largely have the market to themselves. The Australian Navel is perhaps referred to, when it is spoken of as overrated. The true Washington Navel is a very superior orange, but its characteristic counterpart can easily be bettered. The Mediterranean Sweet is referred to as being unusually early. This is another case of mistaken identity. This variety is quite a late ripener, sometimes not being ready for market until May or June."

In planting oranges in Fresno county two objects must be kept in view. First, if we can supply the local market of the Pacific Coast a month or six weeks ahead of any other section, our orange-growers should do it. After the local markets are supplied, then attention should be given to conditions under which our fruit must appear in other markets so as to secure the best results. The best early varieties as well as the best late varieties will surely become profitable in this county, and the horticultural editor of THE REPUBLICAN will risk his reputation as a weather prophet on this assertion. Therefore we say plant largely of the best and earliest fruit as well as of the latest, and do not neglect to plant enough of that ripening medium early and medium late to keep the markets fairly well supplied during the entire season.

THE San Francisco Chronicle says it is quite time that Congress took some steps in the direction of protecting the Pacific Coast against the attack of alien enemies. Bills for coast defense purposes have been introduced, and the House of Representatives is said to have really manifested some interest in the question. If that body can once become actually convinced that California, Oregon and Washington are in the Union, and that they are entitled to some consideration at the hands of the general government, the work of the Pacific Coast delegation will be greatly simplified and something may be accomplished to our advantage.

THE REPUBLICAN some weeks ago suggested the name of a gentleman for the position of supervisor of census for this district. His name has been brought to the attention of the California Congressional delegation, to be recommended for appointment. Upon the selection of a competent supervisor depends almost wholly the correctness of compilation of returns of the enumerators. Let us therefore hope, in the best interest of Central California, that no opposition will be made to the appointment of Hamilton Wallace of Tulare, to this position.

THE city of Los Angeles is worse off than Fresno in the matter of sewers. Over twenty three inches of rain has fallen already in the angelic city, and her streets are streams of raging mud. No adequate means of even draining the rain water off has yet been provided, and the limited sewer system does not begin to answer the purposes for which it was intended. The greatest boom town in Southern California has its silurians, and they make their influence felt in defeating all movements looking to a sewer system.

THE Alameda Argus issued a splendid annual review of its city last week. The Argus is one of the brightest papers, both editorially and typographically, that comes to our desk, and its 1889 annual is a model paper.

TO IMPRESS PORTUGAL.

It looks to the San Francisco Bulletin as though the dispatch of the squadron of evolution to Europe, with Lisbon as its first port of call, had an object beyond merely showing our new ships. It is said that Lord Salisbury and Secretary Blaine are acting in concert in the matter of Portugal's confiscation of the Delagoa Bay Railroad, and the dispatch of British gunboats to Delagoa Bay and the arrival of the American squadron in the Tagus, are designed to make a joint impression upon Portugal. England has a complication about colonial boundaries in Africa, but the American interest in the matter of railroad confiscation is greater than the English.

Delagoa Bay has the only good harbor in a stretch of about 2000 miles on the East coast of Africa. It is, and has been for 300 years, a Portuguese possession. The railroad in question runs thence about fifty-two miles westerly to the frontier of the Transvaal Republic. Near its western terminus are the gold mines of the Transvaal, the richest of modern mineral discoveries. The Southeastern part of the Transvaal also contains extensive coalfields, and the railroad will make Delagoa Bay the great coaling station for East Africa and the Indies. Beyond the present terminus, but in line with its future advance, is the rich agricultural and mineral region of Bechuana Land, larger than California, and already set- [illegible] this road has a future before it. American enterprise, and American and English capital built it. Colonel McMurdo, an American temporarily residing in London, was its promoter. He obtained a concession from the Portuguese government advantageous to both parties, and built the road within the time and on the terms specified, under the most trying conditions. The Portuguese then came forward with the extraordinary demand that the company should build about six miles further to a new alleged frontier within a certain period when railroad building in that country is a physical impossibility. On the failure of the company to meet this requirement, not contemplated by the original concession or by any subsequent agreement, the Portuguese government seized and confiscated the road. Colonel McMurdo died pending these proceedings. His death was attributed to the mental distress involved in the threatened ruin of his enterprise. His widow has filed at Washington a claim for damages to the amount of $3,750,000. Portugal has been brought by Mr. Blaine's vigorous representation to admit a claim, but higgles over the amount due and delays justice.

Beyond the railroad question, England has a serious boundary question to settle with Portugal. Of course, England's boundary troubles with Portugal are none of our business, but we have a community of interest in the settlement of the railroad matter and it is natural and expedient that the two governments should stand in with each other in bringing pressure upon Portugal. It is not likely that our ships will have any opportunity to try their new rifled guns, but their presence in the Tagus, contemporaneously with the dispatch of a British squadron to Delagoa Bay, may convince Portugal that it will be better to do about the right thing.

ENGLISH fair play inside and out of the prize ring was again vividly illustrated on Monday of this week when Jem Smith, the self-styled champion of England, and Frank Slavin, the white champion of Australia, met in the ring in Belgium. From the beginning the Australian made the better showing, and Smith's followers saved their man from defeat by breaking up the fight and inducing the referee to declare the mill a draw. No American has ever been permitted to win on his merits in an international fight on British soil or where Englishmen predominated at the ring side. And the same may be truly said of representatives of every other country. Even when Peter Jackson fought Smith before the aristocratic Pelican Club in London a few weeks ago, he was awarded the fight on a foul after it became evident that he was a better man and would undoubtedly win if accorded fair play. It is not in the English "pug" to admit real merit in an opponent.

LET us all put our heads together and think up methods of making the Pan-Americans really enjoy their visit to this coast. Let us give them such an entertainment that their private remarks to each other in Castilian may bear publication in parallel columns with their remarks in English to the reporters. California is famous for hospitality. Genuine hospitality does not overdo itself and never sends a guest away bored.—S. F. Examiner.

IT is given out in Wall street that the taxable wealth of the United States has increased about $9,962,000,000 since 1850, while the actual increase in the wealth of the nation in the same time amounts to $18,662,000,000. These figures represent a great deal of money, but they do not signify much to the thousands of poor devils who have spent their last quarter for beer and are rustling for a square meal.

FRESNO streets were thronged all day yesterday, and notwithstanding the disagreeable state of the weather, the high wind, showers, and sloppy streets, all of our merchants did a good business. The people are making the best of circumstances and there will be many a happy home to-day in Fresno county.

THE seasons of greatest rainfall in the history of California, as far back as the date of settlement by whites, were 1852, 1866, 1871 and 1884. Up to date the present one is a record breaker, and beats any previous season in the amount of rainfall.

PEANUTS grow well and yield handsome returns in this county where properly cared for. Fresno county ought to export many tons of these nuts annually, instead of, as now, importing largely for home consumption.

THE REPUBLICAN greets every reader this morning with a heartfelt "Merry Christmas."

The French Bakery on Inyo street has been running but one month, but has already built up a fine trade, especially in the line of fancy pastry and cakes. The proprietor, A. Zago, has had an experience of fifteen years in fancy pastry cooking in Europe and in this country.

THE HYENA CLUB.

A New Social Organization Formed in This City.

The Hyenas, a well-known social club, met at Ruperts symposium, Mariposa street, last Saturday evening for the purpose of adopting some amendments to the constitution. The meeting was called to order by Charter Member Bachman. Senator G. G. Goucher, Hon. W. D. Grady, Hon. R. B. Terry, Auditor Brandet and Assessor Hutchinson, of the committee on constitution and by-laws, after consultation with Judges Campbell and Harris and others had drawn up a constitution on the Bohemian Club model, barring the swallow-tail-coat feature. It was indignantly opposed by Judge Hogue, City Recorder Prince, Editors Ferguson and Mudge, Messrs. Callahan, C. L. Wainwright and others, and was supported by Hon. A. M. Clark and F. Green Berry in behalf of the City Fathers, together with the Street Commissioners, the Fire Department and all the parents and relatives of the city of whatever degree, both by affinity and consanguinity. It was finally adopted as follows:

CONSTITUTION.

Article I. Resolved that we are "The Hyenas," and we are proud of it.

Article II. Established to procure and secure the greatest liberty to the largest number, and actuated by the belief that they are governed best who are governed least, we pledge our united and devoted efforts to getting the most for the least possible. In addition the tribe will lend itself to almost any purpose for which [illegible] character of the members may indicate them to be suited.

Article III. Only such as have distinguished or disgraced themselves are eligible to membership in the tribe. Applications for membership will be considered only when there is a deficiency in the number of members, which is hereby limited to 11,141. Admission can be had only by unanimous consent and upon the payment of such initiation fee as may be imposed under the by-laws by charter members. In order to prevent confusion the present charter member is the perpetual charter member and the present place of meeting can never be changed except by the act of God or the public enemy, and then only by the approval and consent of the charter member.

Article IV. The tribe shall be officered by a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Sergeant-at-Arms and Chaplain, all of whom shall be elected by ballot at the meetings of the tribe, and shall hold office only up to and including the meeting succeeding their election. In all elections for officers the charter member will act as teller to distribute the ballots, and to receive and count the votes and declare the result. His decision will be accepted as final, and any member questioning the same will be immediately expelled.

Article V. The President simply presides; the enforcement of the constitution and by-laws is committed to other hands. The Vice-President is expected to assist the President in preserving order. The Secretary is expected to preserve order between the President and Vice-President, and the Chaplain is expected to mop the perspiration from the heated brow of the charter member after he has reduced these three to order.

The Sergeant-at-Arms will enforce the provisions of the constitution under direction of the charter member, of whom alone he is supposed to have any knowledge. He will, therefore, not suffer himself to make any new acquaintances, and will understand that in carrying out the wishes of the charter member he is fulfilling the earnest and ardent desires of all the members, even if some of them pretend to be displeased. This article the Sergeant-at-Arms is required to keep pasted in his hat.

Article VI. (This article will be explained from time to time to the members by the charter member. It can never be amended. There shall be no appeal from the decision of the charter member.)

Article VII. The funds of the tribe will remain in the custody of the charter member, and such other trustee or trustees as he may select.

Article VIII. The records, when not in actual use, shall be placed in charge of the charter member, and only such will be recognized as members in good standing as have their names inscribed on the roll in the handwriting of the charter member. In case of any dispute as to the genuineness of his own handwriting it shall be referred to the charter member himself without any aid from San Francisco or other imported experts.

Article IX. The daily dues shall be such sum as the charter member may designate, care being taken that the charter member and the member paying dues are both present at the time the payment is made.

Article X. Members are requested to be careful and execute no proxies except in their own name and by their own hand. Any person who has ever attended a meeting as a proxy (true or forged) shall not under any circumstances, even with unanimous vote, be admitted to membership, but must always remain a proxy with all the responsibilities of a member, but without any of the privileges of membership; nor shall he be permitted to vote or hold office.

Article XI. Members may be expelled for a variety of causes not embraced within the constitution and by-laws, without ever being acquainted with the cause—on the grounds of public policy. In all such cases the charter member will refer the party deeming himself aggrieved to the party who made the motion for his expulsion, at the same time furnishing the necessary number of seconds and bottle-holders. The charter member will act as referee and will conduct the discussion of merits according to article six of this constitution.

Article XII. This constitution can only be amended by a joint resolution of the Senate and Assembly of this state, submitting the same to a popular vote of the next state election, and if approved to be reconsidered at the next session of the Legislature, and if on joint ballot the same is again approved it shall then be submitted at a regular meeting of the tribe for consideration. If favorably considered by the tribe the amendment shall then be submitted to the charter member, who will dispose of it as he thinks best under the provisions of article six. In order to prevent confusion the regular meetings of the tribe will be forever held on the evenings of Christmas and the Fourth of July.

BY-LAWS.

Article I. At all the meetings of the tribe, whether stated or informal, the following order of business will be strictly observed:

1. Calling the meeting to order.
2. Set-tos between noisy members, the Sergeant-at-Arms and the charter member.
3. Liquids.
4. Reading of correspondence (unpaid bills excepted) by the Secretary.
5. Narcotic weeds.
6. Assorted scandal.
7. Collection of dues by the charter member.
8. Growling by noisy members.
9. Refreshments (of any kind).
10. Personal abuse—the more personal the better.
11. Propositions for membership.
12. Shrimps.
13. Election of members.
14. Personal altercations.
15. Drinks all round.
16. Political disputes.
17. Side issues and side holds, catch-as-catch-can.
18. Reconciliation and cigars.
19. Election of officers.
20. Disputes, abuse and collar-and-elbow adjournment.

Article II. Justices of the Peace, when in attendance at the meetings or entertainments, are required to be more apeaceable in justice to themselves than when on the bench. No City Recorder will be admitted with the implements of his office or other deadly weapons concealed about his person. All disputes between members not provided for by the constitution and by-laws will be determined by the charter member under the provisions of Article Six, except in cases where he may consider himself personally interested, in which event he will select a referee.

Article III. Hyenas feeding at the public crib are simply tolerated among the honest and industrious of the tribe, and will be allowed in the jungle only to fill such places as would otherwise be vacant. Hyenas are reckoned only by sound political standing after repeated successes at the polls, and then only when successful in the daylight and before the counting of the votes. Hyenas from journalistic jungles are exempted from any proof of character, good or bad, always rating as mysteries. They will be accorded such place in the tribe as may be warranted by the circulation of their respective papers—as stated by themselves. Mechanics on bad terms with their vocation can, by the exercise of a little diplomacy with the charter member, gain admittance to the dinners of the tribe, but they will be considered too respectable to be invited. Police officers are too good to become Hyenas. All applications for membership coming from them will be returned, accompanied with a harp and a pair of wings.

Article IV. In no case will the Hyenas use their personal influence with public officials, except for themselves, or against one another. It is understood that invitations to dinners apply only to Hyenas themselves and in some cases are not intended to include their feet to the exclusion of members more modestly built.

Members, after filling themselves to overflowing at the entertainments, are expected to remain in the jungle and not roam abroad striving to create the impression that their enviable condition is due to private enterprise. Members are not limited in the time to be occupied in speeches and debate, except when to continue speaking would disturb the slumbers of the remainder of the tribe.

Members are not expected to lodge in the jungle; neither should they have their wash bills sent there; nor should they proclaim it as their place of business. They are simply tolerated temporarily and then only during good behavior.

Members are expected to dress as neatly as their finances and credit will permit. Red neckties, green kid gloves and trousers that bag at the knee beyond the Bohemian Club standard gauge are to be avoided.

Article V. These by-laws can be amended only by act of the Legislature, approved by the Board of Supervisors on recommendation of the Governor, indorsed by the Board of City Trustees, with the sanction of the charter member.

THE ROSE'S THORNS.

Money and Diamonds Found in a Young Lady's Stocking.

D. Rose, the pawnbroker, was attached yesterday by the California Jewelry Company of San Francisco for a bill of $900, and several other creditors presented claims for other amounts aggregating $1700 or $1800. Sheriff Hensley yesterday morning, armed with a search warrant, visited the premises for the purpose of discovering what personal property, if any, the Roses might have concealed.

The Sheriff deputized a young lady clerk from Weiner's dry goods store to search the buxom eighteen-year-old daughter of the Roses.

The young lady clerk performed this disagreeable duty with the skill of a Custom House Inspector, and found concealed in the neighborhood of Miss Rose's garter $2300 in greenbacks, drafts, checks, etc., and in the neighborhood of her corsets a quantity of diamonds.

This put a different face on the matter, and Mr. Rose settled with his creditors. The announcement was afterwards made that the business had been placed in the hands of P. Matthews, who will continue it in the future. He solicits the patronage of Mr. Rose's former customers.

Shanklin-West.

J. W. Shanklin, of THE REPUBLICAN, and Miss Frances Luella West were united in the holy bonds of matrimony last Sunday evening, at the residence of Mr. Shanklin's parents, 2327 Fresno street, the Rev. C. O. Steele officiating. Only the intimate friends of the family were invited, and these united in giving the happy couple a hearty godspeed. Dwight Blaisdell officiated as best man and Miss Clara Machen as bridesmaid.

After the ceremony the newly-married pair and their guests partook of the wedding supper, during the course of which Mr. and Mrs. Shanklin were made the subject of toasts which conveyed the esteem and good will of their friends, and the best wishes for their lasting prosperity and happiness.

The employes of THE REPUBLICAN office were not forgotten, for last night a collation was spread in the editorial rooms for the compositors and the local staff, who did justice to the good things spread before them.

Congratulatory addresses were made by J. W. Short, W. H. Emmons, foreman of the composing rooms; H. E. Chamberlin, Father of THE REPUBLICAN Chapel, and Messrs. Woodruff, Simms, Leach, Anderson, Ake, Farley, City Editor Cosgrave, W. D. Bresce and others.

The Shooting Tournament.

The third series of contests at the Creedmoor range, 1038 J street, is now open for prizes aggregating $160 in cash. The following are the winners in the second series: First class—C. F. King, first prize, $25; Major B. R. Woodworth, second prize, $15. Second class—Bailey Kay Leach, $20; George L. Hood, $10. Third class—William Lowen, $15; G. A. Wilson, $5. Fourth class—E. M. Packard, $7; B. C. Davis, $3. In the pistol tournament C. F. King won the first prize $7, and Bailey Kay Leach won the second prize $3. The following are the names of parties who now hold high scores in the third series: W. G. Griffith, F. G. Berry, S. C. St. John, 29; Bailey Kay Leach, Lieutenant C. W. Callahan, Major B. R. Woodworth, C. W. Lenhart, J. W. Brown, W. M. Shaw, C. F. King, P. G. Farley and G. A. Wilson, 28.

Miss Maude Berry was awarded a gold medal for making a score of 28 out of a possible 30.

Cold Sausages.

J. F. Kline, a man with a bald forehead and a military mustache, was arrested by Officer Anderson yesterday on a charge of petit larceny. The prisoner was accused by August Kasten of having stolen three pounds of sausages from Schneider's saloon on Front street. Mr. Kasten declared that he had seen the sausages hanging out of the prisoner's coat pocket, but owing to the fact that he was hard of hearing he failed to hear them bark.

Kline denied having stolen the linked mysteries, and all he remembered of what took place before his arrest was that he was hit in the nose and got a blacked eye in a row in the saloon.

The sausages were valued at 37½ cents. The case was fixed for trial for this morning at 9 o'clock in Recorder Prince's Court.

The plan of making Christmas gifts of clothing, books, money and presents for needy to-night at the Christian Church Sunday school tree is meeting with much favor. Let the children and grown folks hand in their donations to the committee at the church any time to-day. "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

THE GRAND JURY.

Full Text of Yesterday's Partial Report.

THREE CHARGES IGNORED.

The County License Collector Rapped on the Knuckles for Not Enforcing the Law.

The Grand Jury on Friday made a partial report of which the following is a copy:

To the Hon. M. K. Harris, Superior Judge, Department No. 2, Superior Court of the county of Fresno, state of California:

The undersigned, the Grand Jury of Fresno county, duly empaneled on the tenth day of December, 1889, respectfully report as follows, to-wit:

We have found five true bills of indictment and herewith present the same in open Court.

CHARGES IGNORED.

The following three cases, wherein the defendants had been examined and committed were submitted for our consideration by the District Attorney as no informations had been filed by him in said cases, to-wit: People against J. R. Walton, charged with unlawful branding; People against G. Himmelsbach, charged with an assault with a deadly weapon, and People against S. T. Prather, charged with embezzlement. After examining the same and reading the evidence adduced upon the preliminary examination of said cases, we hereby approve the action of the District Attorney therein.

We have examined into a great many matters submitted for our consideration, have examined into twenty-one preferred charges and have examined fifty-four witnesses.

UNLAWFUL ARRESTS.

In obedience to the charge of Your Honor concerning unlawful arrests in the City of Fresno, we have investigated the matter to some extent, and, as a result of our investigation, two peace officers have been arrested for making an unlawful arrest in the City of Fresno, under section of 146 of the Penal Code, which said action is now pending in the Justice's Court, Third township, Fresno county.

UNCOLLECTED LICENSES.

The matter of non-payment of licenses by certain parties doing business in Fresno county, has been brought to our attention, and we have made a partial investigation of the same and have discovered that many parties are doing business in Fresno county without paying the proper license therefor. We have called the attention of the License Collector to this fact and have demanded of him that he proceed according to law to compel the payment of licenses by said parties. We will make a more complete report of the matter before our final adjournment.

ILLEGAL BILLS.

We have examined a large number of bills which, during the last twelve months, have been presented to the Board of Supervisors of Fresno county for allowance, and have been audited and ordered paid by them, and among them are certain bills which in our judgment should not have been ordered paid by said Board. We will make a full and complete investigation of all such matters before our final adjournment, and make a complete report thereon.

We have inquired into cases of persons imprisoned in the County Jail of Fresno county on criminal charges and into the condition and management of said jail, and beg leave to report as follows:

THE JAIL.

We find the jail crowded—in some cases from three to four persons occupying a cell that is adequate for only two persons. We find many of the prisoners now dirty and lousy. We find that prisoners in the jail sleep on the cement floor.

We therefore recommend that sufficient iron bedsteads or bunks be placed in the jail for as many prisoners as the jail will hold. We also recommend that an iron fence be put around the jail in order to prevent persons from the outside approaching the jail, for the purpose of aiding prisoners to escape.

We have examined into the condition and management of the County Hospital, and beg leave to report as follows: We visited in a body the new County Hospital and find it in excellent condition, the various wards neat and clean, the patients comfortable and well cared for. In our judgment the hospital is well managed. As to the expenses connected therewith, our time has not permitted us to fully inquire, but this we will do and report before our final adjournment.

There are many other matters which demand our attention which we have not had time to investigate, but will fully investigate the same before our final adjournment.

ADJOURNMENT.

We have agreed that we will adjourn to-day to meet on Monday, the 3d day of February, 1890, at the hour of 2 o'clock P. M. of that day.

We hereby extend our thanks to District Attorney W. D. Tupper for his prompt, faithful and valuable assistance and attendance, at all times during our deliberations; and we desire also to thank the Sheriff for his promptness in executing all process given to him by us, and his prompt attention to all our demands; and we desire also especially to thank our Foreman, Honorable Gillum Bailey, for his uniform courtesy and patience extended to the members of the Grand Jury, and his earnest effort to expedite the business which has come before us.

Respectfully submitted. Gillum Bailey (Foreman), Chas. H. Norris, T. J. Kirk, John S. Dore, W. H. Parker, J. M. Heickell, Willet Gates, Isaac Ayer, A. G. Jack, S. D. Hopper, S. B. Holton, J. R. Baird, T. E. Bacon, B. H. Boren, A. B. Atwell, J. W. Dunlap, G. F. Cherry, Henderson Qualls, J. T. Birkhead.

Dated Fresno, Cal., Dec. 20, 1889.

The License Collector Explains.

The Grand Jury in their report stated that certain persons in the county were in the habit of doing business without getting a license therefor, and demanded of Tax Collector Ewing to proceed according to law to compel the payment of the licenses by said persons.

Yesterday afternoon Mr. Ewing was called upon by a REPUBLICAN reporter for an explanation. Said he: "For years past merchants doing business in the mountains, and those especially in the northern part of the county, have been in the habit of getting out a trader's license for $5 a quarter to conduct their business. It is a fact well fixed in the minds of most persons that all the stores keep liquor on hand and sell it by the drink. Now a trader's license permits merchants to sell liquor by wholesale only, whereas if they complied with the law when selling whisky, wines or other liquor by the drink they would have to procure a retail liquor license that would cost them $60 per quarter. It is these men who sell by the drink under cover of a $5 trader's license that we are after.

THE BABY ACT.

"The patrons of these stores, of course, will not give the business away, and those who do not patronize them don't of their own personal knowledge know anything about it. That is the status of the Grand Jury's demand. Plenty of men will say that such a state of affairs as related to exists, but none of them are willing to sign or become a witness in the prosecution of the case.

"Not long ago I hired a man to watch a certain business house which I suspected and after giving him several dollars he skipped out and I have not seen him since. I repeated the attempt with another man, and as he also left I will now proceed in a wholesale manner as prescribed by the Grand Jury."

A LOST PEARL.

The Sad Blunder That Miss Levy Made Yesterday.

Pearl Levy, a lost pearl of the Chinatown quarter, was arrested yesterday for disturbing the peace on a warrant issued by Recorder Prince. She was engaged in a racket with Lilly Thompson, Annie Jekyl, Kittie McGarvin, Gus Harris and J. Johnson a few nights ago, but kept out of sight of the officers until yesterday.

She is a prepossessing young woman and gave her age as 18 years to the Recorder, but she looks younger. In response to the sympathetic questions of the Court she told the brief story of her life. About a year ago she left her parents' home in Los Angeles and went to the bad. After four months of dissipation she was taken home again, but again yielding to temptation, she left her parents about a week ago and came to this city to become an inmate of a bagnio in the disreputable quarter. She occupied a room in the respectable portion of the city with the McGarvin woman, but after the arrest of her companions she eluded the officers by changing her room, and it was only when she revisited her place of business in Chinatown that she was discovered.

As the testimony showed that she was one of the noisiest and wildest of the gang on the occasion of the drunken orgie, the Court imposed a penalty of $15, which she paid with a sigh and a smile.

When she got outside the Courtroom she remarked to a companion who was waiting for her: "I tried my best to make a mash on the Recorder—he's a nice-looking young feller, isn't he?—but he wouldn't have it, and pulled the skin of his forehead down over his eyes and looked as black as thunder. I think he'd have let me off with $7.50 if I hadn't made that break. I think those baldheaded old fellers are the best to work the mashing racket on, after all; don't you?"

An Important Creamery Company.

Visalia has a newly incorporated creamery company. The objects of the company are to erect a plant for butter and cheese making on an extensive scale. They will buy fresh milk from the ranchers, to be delivered at the creamery morning and evening, paying for it by the pound. The milk will be strained into large pans and the cream allowed to rise, after which it will be taken off and churned by machinery. Cheese will be made of the skimmed milk, and the butter-milk will be sold or fed to swine. Creamery butter and cheese command about twice as much as the ordinary farm products in the East, where creameries are common, and there is no reason why the same result will not be obtained in California within a very few years. Nowhere should the creamery idea work better than among the colonies or small farms of Fresno county, and we trust that some one with the capital to run it properly will soon start one.

Asleep in the Mud.

As Officer Zener was wading ankle-deep over a street crossing last Thursday night he stumbled over an obstacle and left an impression of his athletic form in the not over-fragrant mud. He arose considerably chagrined, and made a few audible remarks in the excitement of the moment when he discovered that the obstacle that had upset him was a drunken man, who was sleeping peacefully in the mud bath.

Zener's clothes could not be any more soiled than they were, and without hesitation he embraced the limp and weighty form of the sleeper and lugged him to jail.

When the drunk sobered up yesterday he told the Recorder that he was broke, and that his name was Michael Hardy. He was sent to jail for five days.

Ragsdale on Trial.

Special Policeman Ragsdale was placed on trial yesterday before Justice of the Peace Hogue on a charge of having illegally arrested B. R. Thurman as a vagrant. Before a full jury could be secured the panel was exhausted and the case was continued until this morning.

Constable Jonhson informed a reporter yesterday that he had gone out to the Thurman ranch, near Centerville, several times with a subpena for B. R. Thurman, the complaining witness, but had been unable to find him. He requests Mr. Thurman, should this note meet his eye, to appear in Justice Hogue's Court this morning at 9 o'clock to give his testimony in the case.

The Grand Jury report is evidently inaccurate in the statement that two officers had been arrested for making illegal arrests. Special Ragsdale is the only officer reported under arrest by the Justices Court of the Third township.

Both Disappeared.

When Fritz Goeffrey sold out his bakery on Tulare street, in the Hughes Hotel building last Wednesday, he was surprised to find lying on his desk a note from his partner, William Schneider, which read as follows:

"Dear Fritz: I leaves this morning for Chicago, Illynoise. I know it will leaf you in a bad way, but I thinks it best after all."

Mr. Goeffrey became greatly agitated over William's departure, and on the evening of that day also disappeared, and has not been seen since. The firm had been doing only a small business of late.

A Candidate for San Quentin.

Joseph Spinney, the brickmaker and contractor, found a man sleeping in his barn early last Thursday morning, and when he ordered the fellow to get out the intruder broke a beer bottle on his head, cutting a severe gash on Mr. Spinney's scalp and on his right wrist. The man, who gave his name as John Caron, was arrested on a charge of an assault with a deadly weapon with intent to do great bodily harm. His preliminary examination was set for 3 P. M. to-day.

Arrested for Fast Driving.

Emil Bernard, the attorney, was driving around a corner yesterday and barely escaped collision with Witham & Nourse's grocery wagon, which was being driven in an opposite direction. Mr. Bernard swore to a complaint before Recorder Prince charging William Abbey, the driver, with fast driving. Abbey was arrested and gave bail for his appearance. His employers will defend him as they believe that Abbey is a careful driver.

E. Schamp Resigns.

E. Schamp, resident agent in this city for the Southern Pacific Railroad Company, has sent in his resignation, to take effect January 1st. He has accepted a more lucrative and equally responsible position with the California Powder Works at San Francisco. Mr. Schamp has been a faithful and competent official and an enterprising citizen, and his Fresno friends, of whom he has many, will hear with regret of his departure.

Stephen Arthur has gone to San Francisco, having received a telegram that his wife, who has been ill for several weeks, was not expected to live.

THE WEATHER CLERK.

He Makes a Personal Explanation to the Public.

"WHAT WILL YOU HAVE NOW?"

Causes That Induced Him to Take the Plug Out of the Celestial Rain Tank.

DEAR HYDROSTATICS: I am in receipt of yours sent yesterday by air line.

Of course, you expect a much-abused weather clerk to reply at once.

You demand to know why all this rain, incessant rain you put it, and you even estimate that I have gone off on a drunk, etc., and left the heavens unplugged.

Well, all I have to say is, that there are a regular curriculum of good and sufficient reasons for this rain, which you would like to prorogue, as Queen Vic. would say.

EXPERIMENT.

In the first place, we have been experimenting a good deal with California. No two winters have been evolved from the same plan. I had my aide-de-camp and subordinates arrange a very dry year for California—just let an occasional sprinkle cool the face of mother earth—and the people all kicked, even to the "oldest inhabitant." They cussed me till I was afraid the white and black hair theory would smemmb.

I then promulgated a new plan. I stored the snow carefully away in the jungled and isolated mountains, then sent a warm rain in December, melting the snow and swelling the placid rivers into booming Amazons. The idea was to let the people see and appreciate the rain of weeks all in one piled-up lump. Did they appreciate it? Well, hardly; they cursed worse than ever. "Blast the Weather Clerk," they said. "It's a flood or a famine."

A MEDIUM DOSE.

Then this year we are trying a continuous mellow rain that sponges the soil, rejuvinates its ingredients, centralizes its productive powers, in short, gives your winterless clime a substantial "boost" up the ladder of prosperity.

You do not seem to appreciate this generous outpouring of rain, and I suppose your letter voices the outspoken sentiments. It is plain to me that you Californians would growl if you were all yelling "New York" on board a Chinese junk.

Another thing it was thought profitable to do, was to drown "Old Probabilities" along with the ground squirrels. The old reprobate has outlived his usefulness.

We had calculated to suspend operations on the 10th instant, but Signal Service Williams gave us dead away. Then I stepped one foot on the warm Gulf stream and one on Yucatan, threw the weather throttle wide open and bade old Boreas speed on with his train. He answered back through a foghorn that he had "let her go, Gallagher," and I suppose you are catching h—l by this time.

ORATORS COOLED.

Then those fluent fellows who had deciphered the exact cause of diminished rainfall to be the denuding of the mountains of its stately trees, etc., in after-dinner rhetoric that made the champagne scintillate, needed their ambitious ardor cooled. It had to be shown that it was a case of imagination running away with the man.

I hope you Fresnoites will not speak lightly of Web Feet henceforth. Remember, there is virtue in all things.

We are giving you a grand whoop-up this year, but when the great Isthmus is canaled, the two continents severed, and the Atlantic and Pacific exchange caresses we will wheel the warm Gulf Stream, the great rain storehouse, into the expanseless Pacific and leave merry old England clasped in the icy bosom of the unknown and frozen zone.

But farewell. Be sure you keep that umbrella borrowed for some days yet, as this thing can't stop still Gallagher gets back and old Boreas, the supreme ruler of rain and sunshine, changes his mind and gets on a trade.

Yours till that Yucatan foothold slips.

S. E. MORESBY,
Weather Clerk.

GULF STREAM, Dec. 19, 1889.

A NEW OPERA-HOUSE.

Robert Barton Will Build One of the Finest.

Robert Barton, the enterprising vineyardist, has wisely decided to alter the plans of his proposed new building on the north corner of J and Fresno streets, so as to dispense with the market and introduce instead an opera-house that will be a credit to Fresno. The following letter from Mr. Barton to Cashier Reichman, of the Farmers' Bank, will explain the matter more fully:

PALACE HOTEL, San Francisco, December 19, 1889.

"Friend Reichman: The people of Fresno shall have the theater, and the defenders of our country shall have the hall, too.

"There will be no market. You know I own 150 feet square at the corner of J and Fresno streets. The whole will be covered with as fine a brick as there is south of San Francisco, in the southern part of the state.

"There will be the basement, as now already finished in one-half of the building. The main floor will be stores—except what is required for the entrance to the theater and hall.

"The entrance to the hall will be on J street, where already established on the plans. The theater entrance will be on Fresno street, with theater running back full depth on small street to the alley. It will be the full length of the building—150 feet.

"This will give us one of the finest sites for ventilation, exits, and the most central location in Fresno.

"I mean to make the theater one of the most modern, safest and comfortable play-houses in California.

"I found it wasn't the thing to have the theater on the second floor, so I gave up the market, and the opera-house goes on the main floor, where it belongs.

"I leave the market for some one else to build, and I hope some one will do so soon. I wager that it will pay handsomely.

"My work on the building will go on as fast as the weather permits, and I expect to have everything completed in the early spring.

"G. K. Kirby, Sr., has been for a month past in Eastern cities posting himself on the latest and most modern designs in theaters. He returns at once from Boston, his old home. Mr. Kirby planned one of the best theaters in Boston, also the great theater at Rio Janeiro and several other noted ones.

"If I don't get just what is wanted at Fresno it will not be my fault. But I know I will, and I thank you for having so kindly called my attention to the people's wants.

"It is still pouring here, and the shopkeepers cry out, 'Halt!' But the clerk doesn't, worth a penny. With regards,

ROBERT BARTON."

The Madera Irrigation Contest.

The Madera irrigationists and their opponents of riparian cattle proclivities assembled in force in Judge Campbell's Court yesterday. The cattle ring made strenuous attempt to have thematter postponed, but Hinds & Merriam for the agricultural residents and voters of the contemplated district threw several stumbling blocks in the way. Dr. E. B. Perrin presented an affidavit certifying that P. D. Wiggington, his counsel, was sick and asked for a continuance. The matter will be again taken up this morning.

THE SUPERVISORS.

Minutes of Meetings Held in the Month of December.

December 11, 1889.

In the matter of the resignation of T. J. Hall as Roadmaster of Road District No. 2: T. J. Hall, Roadmaster of District No. 2, having filed herein his resignation, after due consideration thereof, it is ordered that the same be accepted and said office be declared vacant.

The Board paid the following claims:

T J Hall, roadwork	$ 12 00
J S Belford, balance on bill	9 00
K N Bell, chaining	3 00
R S Hines, flagging	3 00
O M Sutton, chaining	3 00
McGray Bros., cash expense	22 20
W W Sullinger, mattresses	96 00
J Sloan, wood for indigent family	7 00
GENERAL FUND.	
Western Union Tel Co, error in assessment	27 45
C W Gearhart, reporting	69 60
Fresno Water Co, water	12 50
Tadlock & Shepard, insurance	150 00
B A Hawkins, cash expended	32 50
R F Merritt, Constable	144 70
P F Peck, Constable	58 20
John Krohn, coffin, etc	15 00
Fresno Gas & Electric Light Co, gas and lights	95 20
Thos Cunningham, Sheriff's fees	6 70
A G Beardorff, post mortem ex	50 00
Joel Bass, election services	3 70
John Krohn, election services	3 00
Lewis Gibbons, election services	6 00
Jos Strobridge, election services	3 00
Samuel Harp, election services	3 00
John Beard, election services	3 00
J W Brown, election services	3 00
J H Griffith, election services	3 00
James Coltrel, election services	3 00
W P Ballard, election services	3 00
Elisha Harlan, election services	3 00
Eugene Tilfiny, election services	3 00
W D Wristen, election services	4 75
O B Olafs, election services	3 00
Dan'l McLaughlin, elec services	3 00
Wm Brooks, election services	3 00
J H Harding, election services	3 00
H H Boren, election services	11 00
F Earls, election services	3 00
F C Recorde, election services	3 00
S W Hays, election service	3 00
J H Turner, election section	3 00
J F McKinney, election service	6 00
C E McKinney, election service	3 00
D C Tucker, election service	3 00
A A Smith, election service	3 00
R S Kirkland, election service	3 00
Chas Endicott, election service	3 00
Solomon Davis, election service	3 00
Frank Klutt, election service	3 00
W H Sherman, election service	3 00
F M Gash, election service	3 00
C S Davis, election service	3 00
J L Hunt, election service	3 00
S W Westfall, election service	3 00
H C B Gill, election service	3 00
J A Walton, election service	3 00
J C Holly, election service	3 00
J A Filloon, election service	3 00
M L Dean, election service	3 00
S H Hooper, election service	3 00
A M Acton, election service	3 00
T Chessuman, election service	3 00
J W Smith, election service	3 00
E W Williams, election service	3 00
A B Anderson, election service	3 00
ELECTION SERVICE.	
John Blomgren	$ 3 00
P C Curry	3 00
John Bray	3 00
John W Hays	3 00
J S Frame	3 00
T T Barnes	3 00
T Q Hayes	3 00
C C Merrill	3 00
John E Ring	3 00
J C Straube	3 00
James W Minturn	3 00
A A Wallace	3 00
J P Coleman	3 00
C Baldwin	3 00
S W Henry	3 00
A C Henry	3 00
T Henry	3 00
G R Sargent	3 00
Samuel Giles	3 00
John C Ninnis	3 00
John H Elam	3 00
Sam Jones	3 00
J N Musick	6 00
H E West	6 00
C A Kinsman	6 00
O T Redfield	3 00
Dave Rhodes	3 00
W H Dayson	3 00
J W Rhodes	3 00
J J Dickinson	3 00
John A Redfield	3 00
R Norris	3 00
J C Dwelle	3 00
John Shafer	3 00
W Y Davis	3 00
J N Parlier	3 00
John Miller	3 00
G E Ripperdan	3 00
J T Eastin	3 00
E S Russell	3 00
J T Clayton	3 00
Morton S Mosher	3 00
G K G De Grundgeiger	3 00
H N Bradshaw	3 00
J F Morgan	3 00
W P Hedgpeth	3 00
Tim Walton	3 00
Wm Shaw	3 00
W R Neal	3 00
T L Reed	3 00
J P Neal	3 00
Otto Steinwand	3 00
J N J Hansen	3 00
A P Hensley	3 00
L W Gregg	3 00
W M Nance	3 00
Fred Stole	3 00
D D Hudson	3 00
Hubert Maxwell	3 00
Oliver Sanford	3 00
Warren R Brown	3 00
A L Duncan	3 00
W A Block	3 00
Marion Side	3 00
W E Knowles	3 00
Robert Henderson	3 00
Benjamin Dore	3 00
W G Field	3 00
George W Bonds	3 00
C A Yancey	3 00
Jno Yeargen	3 00
Harry J Burns	3 00
George B Otis	3 00
C E Woollolk	3 00
Jno J Luce	3 00
W Moller	3 00
S H Wood	3 00
Oliver Haddock	3 00
W H Brooks	3 00
Edward Benson	3 00
R W Wood	3 00
C H Powers, Jr.	3 00
L W Hoblen	3 00
W G Johnson	3 00
Eric Johnson	3 00
Walter Billingslea	3 00
C Henningser	3 00
Silas Ruth	3 00
Marion Medley	3 00
Wm P Manley	3 00
Jno H Corlew	3 00
Asa W Root	3 00
J A Greenup	3 00
W M Rains	3 00
J H Burnett	3 00
C H Brignelle	3 00
Wm H Burrough	3 00
Jas W Craghead	3 00
Jas McMurty	3 00
M M Thompson	3 00
Wm Kalestrip	3 00
Joe Brown	3 00
E H Chapin	3 00
W G Grour	3 00
W S Bloyd	3 00
H A Morrison	3 00
W A Akers	3 00
M S Rose	3 00
Amos Harris	3 00
Edwin Gowen	3 00
F Manley	3 00
O P McConnell	3 00
J M McIntire	3 00
W E Marlar	3 00
Barnard Stask	3 00
Philip Woolcock	2 00
Jan Valkenburg	3 00
Angelo Vignola	3 00
Frank L Baratta	3 00
F M Fellows	3 00
C E Sharp	3 00
F C Martin	3 00
Eric Swensen	3 00
A Toubis	2 00
J N Rasmussen	3 00
John Ritchie	3 00
L Seeberg, election services	3 00
B M Stone, election services	3 00
A Battell, election services	3 00
R A Bowles, election services	3 00
J M Evans, election services	3 00
David J Hays, election services	3 00
M J Lindrose, election services	3 00
Geo F Covell, election services	3 00
S M Drake, election services	3 00
G W Sterling, election services	3 00
W H Bradley, election services	3 00
B T Morris, election services	3 00
Thos G Holland, services	3 00
W J Kipp, election services	3 00
Frank Gross, election services	3 00
J N West, election services	3 00
B M McDonald, election services	3 00
Fred Banta, election services	3 00
J G Duscenberry, services	3 00
Frank Shulte	3 00
Geo W Stafford	3 00
Tom W Wilson	3 00
Mark Anderson	3 00
T J Dunlap	3 00
H N Cutler	3 00
B P Cox	3 00
C B Wood	3 00
Walter Whitney	3 00
T S Baker	3 00
J W Traber	3 00
J E Chapin	3 00
Jonathan Archey	3 00
B S Dennis	3 00
G W Smiley	3 00

In the matter of the resignation of D. J. Elliott, J. P. of township 7.

Ordered that the resignation of D. J. Elliott as J. P. of township No. 7 be and the same is hereby accepted and said office declared vacant.

IT CAN BE "BEAT."

Colonel Hogan's Experience With a Cash Register Machine.

Colonel Hogan is a disappointed man, and all because he has discovered that his brand new cash register can be "beat," and thereby depends a narration.

When the Colonel opened his luxurious saloon de rayfraishmoing in the Bernard building he was approached by one Hunter of San Francisco, who announced himself as the agent for the Bensinger Self-Adding Cash Register of Chicago, Ill. Mr. Hunter exhibited a beautiful machine of polished brass and nickel, guaranteed it to contain all the latest improvements and assured Colonel Hogan that nobody could "beat" it. Price $175, $50 down and the remainder on time.

Major Billy Elliott, the Colonel's barkeeper, used to own a saloon of his own. When the Colonel pointed with pride to the new machine the Major examined it critically and made the following audible comment:

"N. G."

"What!" exclaimed the Colonel surprised, "Do you mean to say that it can be beat?"

"Yep."

The Major pulled down the 50-cent key. The card with 50 on it arose to show the customer that his 50 cents had been registered and that the barkeeper was honest. Behind the 50-cent card was the 5-cent card, the keys being arranged in two banks, one above the other, and the cards, one behind the other, the front card showing the amount of the purchase.

"Now," proceeded the Major, "you see that the index at the side, which cannot be beat or tampered with, shows that 50 cents must have gone into the till. Suppose another man comes in with three friends, order the drinks and gives me half a dollar. Here's how it works."

The Major pulled down the 50-cent key and the 5-cent key simultaneously. The 50-cent card remained stationary and the 5-cent card ducked below for a moment and came up again behind the 5-cent card.

"The index showed that 55 cents had been received and sounded for, when in fact I would have received $1, and I could never have been caught at it. Thus you would have been 'beat' out of 45 cents. Forty-five cents on the dollar is a pretty good percentage for a barkeeper to knock down."

When Hunter called around again Colonel Hogan showed him how the machine was worse than no protection at all, and said:

"Take your machine back again. Keep the $50 I have paid you already and release me from my contract for the $125 balance."

To the Colonel's surprise Hunter refused this liberal offer and would not take the machine back.

"It's worse than banko," said the Colonel.

Raisins the Thing.

A Tulare merchant advertises that he has concluded to sell out his stock at cost, and gives as his reason for so doing that he has "thought the matter all over, and concluded that the vineyard business offers greater advantages for profit for a limited capital and more congenial employment than the grocery business in Tulare." Many of those who are not limited for capital have come to a like conclusion and are putting out vineyards as a profitable investment.—Selma Irrigator.

Arrival of Fresno Students.

The trains from the north last evening and early this morning brought a delegation of young people, who have been attending Washington College at Irvington, Alameda county. The pupils will spend their two weeks' vacation at home. Among those who have already arrived are Misses Eva Turner, Floriana Baird, James Lamson, Joe Bernhard, Russie Woldenberg, W. A. Chance, Clyde Lampkin, P. B. Donahoo, G. N. Gales, Roy Woldenberg and A. B. Chance. Miss Sadie and Angus Clark, who have been attending a private school in Oakland, also arrived.

Death of James Lisenby.

James Lisenby, a well-known resident of Newman, died last Thursday at his home in that place. The deceased was a native of Clinton, Ill. He had been suffering for a long time with inflammatory rheumatism. The deceased leaves four children, A. V. Lisenby in the abstract business, Sherman Lisenby of Tuchachapi, Toby Lisenby and Kate Lisenby and their mother.

For Diseases of Horses.

There is nothing that compares with Cole's Veterinary arbolisalve. It cures Cuts, Wounds, Bruises, oil sr and Saddle Galls, Sores, Mange, Scratches, Thrush, Inflammations and all skin and hoof diseases quicker than any other remedy. It is the only preparation that will invariably renew the hair to its original color. Edwin D. Bither, driver of Joy Eye See, says: "Having given Veterinary arbolisalve a thorough trial I can fully endorse it and take pleasure in recommending it to all owners of horses as the best remedy that I ever saw for general stable use." Large bottles, $1; small cans, 50 cents. Sold by Williams & Son. m22e4w

All Persons

Going East will learn something greatly to their advantage financially and add greatly to their physical comfort while en route if they will address me for particulars concerning our through Pullman sleeping car excursions, leaving every Thursday. No change of cars to Chicago. Through sleeping accommodations to New York and Boston. LESTER E. WALKER, 1050 South J street, opposite Grand Central Hotel. au27dd&w

Order of Adjudication of Insolvency.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE COUNTY of Fresno, State of California.

In the matter of Elijah Wimmer, an insolvent debtor.

Elijah Wimmer having filed in this Court his petition, schedule and inventory in insolvency, from which it appears that he is an insolvent debtor, the said Elijah Wimmer is hereby declared to be insolvent. The Sheriff of the County of Fresno is hereby directed to take possession of all the estate, real and personal, of the said Elijah Wimmer insolvent debtor, except such as may be by law exempt from execution, and of all his deeds, vouchers, books of account, and papers, and to keep the same safely until the appointment of an Assignee of his estate. All persons are forbidden to pay any debts to the said insolvent, or to deliver any property belonging to such insolvent, to him or to any person, firm, corporation or association for his use, and the said debtor is hereby forbidden to transfer or deliver any property, until the further order of this Court, except as herein ordered.

It is further ordered, that all the creditors of said debtor be and appear before the Hon. M. K. Harris, Judge of the Superior Court of the County of Fresno, in open Court, at the courtroom of said Court, in the County of Fresno, on the 11th day of January, 1890, at 10 o'clock, A. M., of that day, to prove their debts and choose one or more assignees of the estate of said debtor.

It is further ordered, that the order be published in the FRESNO WEEKLY REPUBLICAN, a newspaper of general circulation, published in the County of Fresno, as often as the said paper is published, before the day set for the meeting of creditors.

And it is further ordered, that, in the meantime, all proceedings against the said insolvent be stayed.

M. K. HARRIS,
Judge of the Superior Court.

GRADY & ALLEN, Attorneys for Insolvent.

Dated December 4, 1889. w6e4d

Adjudication of Insolvency.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE COUNTY of Fresno, State of California.

In the matter of W. B. Miller, an insolvent debtor.

W. B. Miller having filed in this court his petition, schedule and inventory in insolvency, from which it appears that he is an insolvent debtor, the said W. B. Miller is hereby declared to be insolvent. The sheriff of the county of Fresno is hereby directed to take possession of all the estate, real and personal, of the said W. B. Miller, insolvent debtor, except such as may be by law exempt from execution, and of all his deeds, vouchers, books of account, and papers, and to keep the same safely until the appointment of his assignee. All persons are forbidden to pay any debts to the said insolvent, or to deliver any property belonging to such insolvent, to him, or to any person, firm, corporation or association for his use, and the said debtor is hereby forbidden to transfer or deliver any property, until the further order of this court, except as herein ordered.

It is further ordered, that all the creditors of said debtor be and appear before the Honorable M. K. Harris, Judge of the Superior Court of the County of Fresno, in open court at the courtroom of said court, in the County of Fresno, on the 20th day of December, 1889, at 10 o'clock, A. M., of that day, to prove their debts and choose one or more assignees of the estate of said debtor.

It is further ordered, that the order be published in the FRESNO WEEKLY REPUBLICAN, a newspaper of general circulation, published in the County of Fresno, as often as the said paper is published, before the day set for the meeting of creditors.

And it is further ordered, that, in the meantime, all proceedings against the said insolvent be stayed.

M. K. HARRIS,
Judge of the Superior Court.

J. R. Hart Attorney for Petitioner.

Dated November 21st, 1889. n22e4d

Order of Adjudication of Insolvency.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE COUNTY of Fresno, State of California.

In the matter of James E. Doolittle, an insolvent debtor.

James E. Doolittle having filed in this court his petition, schedule and inventory in insolvency, from which it appears that he is an insolvent debtor, the said James E. Doolittle is hereby declared to be insolvent. The Sheriff of the County of Fresno is hereby directed to take possession of all the estate, real and personal, of the said James E. Doolittle, insolvent debtor, except such as may be by law exempt from execution, and of all his deeds, vouchers, books of account, and papers, and to keep the same safely until the appointment of an assignee of his estate. All persons are forbidden to pay any debts to the said insolvent, or to deliver any property belonging to such insolvent, to him or to any person, firm, corporation or association for his use, and the said debtor is hereby forbidden to transfer or deliver any property, until the further order of this Court, except as herein ordered.

It is further ordered, that all the creditors of said debtor be and appear before the Hon. M. K. Harris, Judge of the Superior Court of the County of Fresno, in open Court, at the courtroom of said Court, in the County of Fresno, on the 11th day of January, 1890, at 10 o'clock A. M., of that day, to prove their debts and choose one or more assignees of the estate of said debtor.

It is further ordered, that the order be published in the FRESNO WEEKLY REPUBLICAN, a newspaper of general circulation, published in the County of Fresno, as often as the said paper is published, before the day set for the meeting of creditors.

And it is further ordered, that, in the meantime, all proceedings against the said insolvent be stayed.

M. K. HARRIS,
Judge of the Superior Court.

GRADY & ALLEN, Attorneys for Insolvent.

Dated December 4, 1889. w6e4d

SUMMONS.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE COUNTY of Fresno, State of California.

Emma A. Coleman, plaintiff, vs. Harry Coleman, defendant.

Action brought in the Superior Court of the County of Fresno, State of California, and the complaint filed in the office of the Clerk of said county.

The people of the State of California send greeting to Harry Coleman, defendant.

You are hereby required to appear in an action brought against you by the above named plaintiff, in the Superior Court, in and for the County of Fresno, State of California, and to answer the complaint filed therein within ten days (exclusive of the day of service) after the day of service on you of this summons, if served within this county, or if served elsewhere, within thirty days.

The said action is brought to obtain a judgment of this Court dissolving the bonds of matrimony heretofore and now existing between you and said plaintiff, on the grounds of extremely cruel and inhuman treatment, leading and causing plaintiff mental and bodily injury and abusive names, all of which is more particularly set forth in the complaint on file herein, a copy of which is served herewith, and to which you are hereby referred.

And you are hereby notified that if you fail to appear and answer said complaint as above required, the said plaintiff will cause your default to be entered and apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Superior Court, in and for the County of Fresno, State of California, this 8th day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine.

[SEAL.] A. C. WILLIAMS, Clerk.
By L. R. WILLIAMS, Deputy Clerk.

SUTHER & STOUT, Attorneys for Plaintiff.

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SUMMONS.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT, COUNTY OF Fresno, State of California.

Louis Einstein and Sigismund Wormser partners doing business under the firm name and style of Einstein & Wormser, plaintiff, vs. E. F. Johnson, defendant.

Action brought in the Superior Court of the County of Fresno, State of California, and the complaint filed in the office of the Clerk of said county.

The people of the State of California send greeting to E. F. Johnson, defendant.

You are hereby required to appear in an action brought against you by the above-named plaintiff, in the Superior Court, in and for the county of Fresno, State of California, and to answer the complaint filed therein, within ten days (exclusive of the day of service) after the day of service on you of the summons, if served within this county; or if served elsewhere, within thirty days.

The said action is brought to recover of you the sum of five hundred dollars alleged to be due and owing from you to said plaintiff on a certain promissory note dated July 20, 1889, and due one day after date with interest at legal rate of 7 per cent per annum and for $100 attorney's fee and for costs of suit.

And you are hereby notified that if you fail to appear and answer said complaint as above required, the said plaintiff will take judgment against you for $500 and interest at 7 per cent per annum and $100 attorneys fee and costs.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Superior Court, in and for the County of Fresno, State of California, this 23d day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine.

[SEAL] A. C. WILLIAMS, Clerk.
de23 10 By L. R. Williams, Deputy clerk.

Notice to Creditors.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF FRESNO County, State of California.

In the matter of the estate of Maria E. Laird, deceased.

Estate of Maria E. Laird, deceased.

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned executors of the estate of Maria E. Laird, deceased, to the creditors of and all persons having claims against the said deceased to exhibit them with the necessary vouchers within four months after first publication of this notice, to said executors at the office of Nourse & Short, over Fresno National Bank, cor

The Fresno Re[illegible]

—BY—

Short & Shanklin.

TERMS:

Per Annum in Advance,.....$2.5
Six Months, " " $1.5
Advertisements inserted at reasonable rates.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1889.

From the Lady of Sunday.

Judge P. J. Reardon of Selma is in the city.

Dr. E. R. Perrin went to San Francisco yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Fenn left on this mornings' overland train for San Diego.

E. A. Pattison came down from San Francisco yesterday on a short business trip.

Constable Johnson says the report is untrue that he is making $400 per month.

Miss Mollie Brennan will leave for San Francisco to-morrow, to spend the holidays with friends.

H. H. Luce, capitalist, of San Francisco, who has property interests here, is at The Hughes for a few days.

Justice Wolcott has set the trial of Dan Maloney, arrested on a charge of vagrancy, for January 7th at 10 A. M.

Misses Hattie and Nettie Byrd, who have been visiting in Santa Rosa, have returned to their home near Centerville.

The friends of Dr. Eli Say of Los Angeles promise a rare treat at his lecture at Riggs' Theater next Sunday at 11 A. M.

William Craig, a prominent lawyer of San Francisco, who is largely interested in Fresno county lands, is spending a few days in Fresno.

R. W. Wing of West Park colony left on this morning's train for Piedmont Springs, Oakland, where he will remain for several weeks.

Clyde Lawson, who has been attending college at Irvington, Alameda county, has returned home to spend his two weeks' vacation.

The sale of property delinquent for city taxes will take place at 10 o'clock to-morrow morning in front of the City Hall on J street.

Eighteen hens, two turkeys and two roosters were stolen last Thursday night from the premises of Mrs. McKay, a widow residing on South L street.

S. N. Griffith commenced a suit in the Superior court yesterday against Silas Prather to foreclose a $800 mortgage on lots 6 to 23 inclusive, in block 1, Windsor Terrace.

Superintendent W. C. Reed, of the Pacific Paving Company, was out for the first time yesterday for several days, having been confined to his room on account of illness.

The Chapman home place, of five sections of land, near Madera, has been sold to a San Francisco syndicate, and the entire tract will be planted in Muscat vines this winter.

M. K. Clifford and daughter, Miss Esther, and Miss Jessie Cate of Boston, Mass., a niece of Captain M. W. Muller, arrived from Stockton last evening on a visit to relatives.

The Palm Leaf wheelmen have added a $100 piano to their elegantly furnished club rooms over the Fresno Loan and Savings Bank, and are now making preparations to put in a fine billiard table.

Major B. R. Woodworth and Miss Maude Berry, daughter of Fulton G. Berry, won the first prizes, two gold medals, in the Creedmoor rifle contest. Each scored 28 points out of a possible 30.

Four hundred acres of land near Sanger will be planted in Muscat raisin vines by a syndicate represented by Mr. Craig, of the firm of Brown, Craig & Co. of San Francisco. The vineyard will be named El Rio Rey.

W. F. Bliss, the cattle king; W. W. Houghton, a San Francisco attorney; Henry Miller of Lux & Miller, General Host of Merced, and J. Butler of the Improvement and Planting Company of Placer county are visiting Fresno.

Two horses and a light wagon were left standing in front of the Ogle House all day last Thursday and all of the same night. The team was taken to Meade's stables by the City Marshal to await the pleasure of the owner, should he ever turn up.

E. A. Wagstaff, formerly of the Woodland (Yolo) Mail, has made his home in Fresno, and will assume the editorial management of the Fresno Inquirer this week. Mr. Wagstaff is an experienced journalist and is regarded favorably by the profession.

L. B. Church, Superintendent of the Fresno Canal and Irrigation Company, announces that the water will be turned into the Mill ditch and other ditches next Monday. The water would have been turned on sooner had it not been for the rains.

John Seaborne was arrested yesterday for embezzlement on complaint of J. H. Burnett. Seaborne was discharged the day before by Justice Wolcott on an examination for grand larceny. Burnett alleges that the prisoner took a horse and saddle from his ranch, about thirty miles from this city.

On account of the sloppy condition of the grounds, and the prospect for continued stormy weather, the game of baseball which was announced to take place on Christmas morning at the Fair Grounds, between the tailors and printers for the benefit of the Ladies' Aid Society, has been postponed until New Years' afternoon.

Frank H. Ball and wife, who went to Michigan some weeks ago on a visit to relatives, arrived from the south yesterday. Mrs. Ball continued on her journey to San Francisco, while her husband stopped off to look after his raisin vineyard a few days. They are highly delighted with their visit, and enjoyed several old-time sleigh rides.

Thieves have invaded the premises of Dr. B. W. Doyle on N street for several nights past and carried away most of his wood pile. He says he is not certain who the guilty persons are, but to prevent a recurrence of their visits he has placed several sticks of wood loaded with gunpowder in the pile. He thinks he will soon have a news item.

Mrs. Hannah Trees petitioned the Superior Court yesterday to be declared an insolvent debtor. The value of her personal property is scheduled at $397.25; amount of debts due by petitioner, $203.76; value of property exempt from execution, $100; amount due to petitioner, $112.05. Dixon, Lynch and Terry are attorneys for petitioner.

The regular meeting of the '89-'90 Social Club was largely attended last evening, and, after the routine business, the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: President, Harry Burton; Vice-President, S. F. Morton; Recording Secretary, Frank Helm; Treasurer, W. C. Colson. The next party given by the club will be held on the evening of January 15th.

At a meeting of the Gas and Electric Light Company, held Friday afternoon for annual election of officers, the following gentlemen were elected: President, Lewis Leach; vice, F. G. Berry; Treasurer, Farmers' bank; Secretary, F. C. White; Superintendent, Daryille Decker; Assistant Superintendent, S. E. Johnson. Directors Lewis Leach, F. G. Berry, P. F. Dryler, W. W. Phillips and G. M. Berry.

The Methodist Episcopal has traded four lots on K street, on which their church is located, for five lots, corner of Merced and L streets, the property of Judge Winthell, where a new church will be built in the immediate future. The old church building was reserved, and will be used until such time as the new church is completed. The new edifice will be a fine structure, in keeping with the growing needs of the church.

DeWITT'S LONE HAND.

He Is the Absolute Dictator of the County Hospital.

NOT A BILL EVER CUT DOWN.

Eighteen Years in Undisturbed and Unquestioned Management of An Important Institution.

The annexed communication and the matters contained therein are respectfully submitted for the consideration of the Supervisors and the taxpayers of this county:

A supposed-to-be reporter on the Evening Expositor seems to be suffering from a severe case of hallucination, either caused by his "long journalistic career," or his excessive admiration of our County Physician, Dr. Leach. In either case, perhaps, a course of barley water and condensed milk may relieve him before it is forever too late. However, in case it should prove fatal, it will be a satisfaction to know that his name will descend to posterity enrolled among the wise and great of earth, because of his discovery of the exact position in the animal kingdom to which a stump speaker belongs, and it will save a great deal of worry of mind hereafter to know that our noted politicians belong to the lower order of animals.

A PHILANTHROPIST.

Poor fellow! It is evidently a very bad case, if he really believes what he implies in his eulogistic article in Wednesday evening's paper, that "when the sick from other counties apply for admission to Dr. Leach, unless they be too ill to travel, the Doctor invariably gives them money to reach the counties whose duty it is to take care of them."

"An instance was brought to the writer's attention a few days ago, when the Doctor gave three patients tickets which cost him $22. Pursuing this course for eighteen years Dr. Leach has saved the county, in this one item alone, thousands and thousands of dollars of expense. Hardly a day passes that Dr. Leach does not buy wood, provisions and clothing for the poor. The Doctor, to our knowledge, is paying several people salaries to take care of the afflicted, sick and destitute. The unfortunates are not patients in the hospital. For many months Dr. Leach has paid a woman $20 a month to administer to the wants of another woman who is totally blind, and consequently perfectly helpless."

WELL, WELL!

Is he so hopelessly fascinated as not to know that Dr. Leach does not pay for all these things out of his own purse, but the county, the taxpayers, pay it all through Dr. Leach. He may furnish the money at the time, but it is all paid back to him at the next meeting of the Board of Supervisors.

I do not know of another county in this state, or any other state, where any one man has such unlimited power as has Dr. Leach in this county. According to the reporter, in his article, he has been County Physician nearly eighteen years—ever since the Hospital was established, and during all that time "He has had the entire management of the County Hospital."

PAYABLE ON DEMAND.

This alone is a fatal admission, but is still further aggravated by what Dr. Leach himself says in his closing sentence, "In that period I have never had a bill questioned or cut down a cent."

This is indeed a most unheard of proceeding, if true.

One man alone has the entire management of a county hospital for a period of eighteen years, and never has a bill questioned or cut down a cent! Well, I do not wonder that the reporter was almost struck dumb in the contemplation of a man who possesses the skill to successfully carry out such a condition of things as that. If the taxpayers and voters are not also struck dumb with admiration, they will certainly give some thought and study to this important question.

A PRESIDENTIAL PRECEDENT.

Why is it that as a nation we do not believe in, nor allow a President, be he ever so good a man, to enter on a third term of office? If his administration is good, why not keep him in office? Need I answer? Simply because in eighteen years he would think he owned the United States, and would probably proceed to cut off the head of anyone who ventured to think he did not. Only think of all the trouble and worry of mind it would have saved the "lower order of animals," if it had been known eighteen years ago that there lived in the town of Millerton, county of Fresno, state of California, a man so pure and free from all possibility of corruption that he could have run this country alone and single-handed all this length of time.

HOW IT IS DONE ELSEWHERE.

Certainly this one incomparable man should not have wasted his time and ability all these years in attending to a little county business which any ordinary doctor might have managed well enough, especially if working under the same rules that govern other counties in such business. I have not had time to learn the manner in which every county in this state conducts the county hospital business, but from a reliable source I have obtained information in regard to several counties.

In Los Angeles, the information coming directly from the late county physician, Dr. Dozier, during 1887 and 1888, he was paid a salary of $250 per month, regardless of the number of patients he had to treat, and the work so heavy he had to give all his time. All supplies were from the lowest bidders, the Supervisors calling for bids on supplies of all kinds.

ECONOMY IN A BIG COUNTY.

Sonoma county pays her county physician a salary of $150 per month, and bids for all supplies. Out of this munificent sum he has to pay $50 per month for nurse hire.

Marin county pays $100, supplies let in same manner.

Mendocino county the same as Marin.

Alameda the same as the last named county, known to be so about a year or so ago, may perhaps give more at present. Why, our Supervisors do not conduct the hospital here in the same manner, is a question that should be asked and answered.

HOW IS THIS?

This county is getting too many wide-awake citizens among its population to longer allow this blind state of things to exist. Rouse up, taxpayers, and see that the answer is perfectly satisfactory. One of our Supervisors told me, about a year ago, that he had tried to have the Board call for bids for supplies, but could not get them to do anything but leave it all in the hands of Dr. Leach to do as he pleased.

I know, personally, of several instances where Dr. Leach has not only shown great hardness of heart towards the suffering of the poor, but has failed in his simple duty as County Physician, to which facts there are plenty of witnesses among the highest ladies of our city, and one member, at least, among our Board of Supervisors.

THE LADIES DON'T LIKE HIM.

During all our year's work in the Fresno Relief Society (whereby we have saved, at the very least, $100 to the county, outside of all other work we have done,) the Doctor has shown himself so antagonistic to us and our work, that at last the ladies would not go to him to report a case which belonged under his supervision, but went to T. C. White instead, to whom the ladies of the society are indebted for his invariable kindness and courtesy and prompt attention to cases so reported.

I refrain from further mention of these matters, since it is not my desire to make war on Dr. Leach, but simply to open the eyes of the Supervisors, as well as the people, many of whom have been wide awake for some time upon this question, but have bided their time to make a move in the right direction.

With my best wishes for the success of the reporter, I close my already too long letter. MRS. A. G. DEARMONT.

FRESNO, December 21, 1889.

HUNTING HER LOVER.

Mrs. Brown of I Street Following Close Upon His Trail.

Mrs. Brown, the fair and buxom proprietress of Brown's lodging-house on I street, has gone to Oregon to find her affianced, Louis H. Beal, who left this city several weeks ago without bidding her good-bye.

Beal is a burly fellow with a history. He came here from Clinton, De Witt county, Ill., and many Fresnoites who came from the same place know his record there. It is said that he was married at that place to the daughter of a wealthy man, and that after a short experience of married life, he deserted his wife and baby and went to California.

He conducted the City Bakery, on I street in this city, for some months, but gave up the business afterwards and went to lodge in Mrs. Brown's hotel. Mrs. Brown fell in love with him and they were engaged to be married, she not knowing of the fact that he was already a married man. As time wore on and as Mrs. Brown continued urging him to name the happy day, he told her that he had a wife in Illinois and that he would marry Mrs. Brown as soon as he could get a divorce from his former wife.

Then the subject of the happy day was dropped, and the subject of the proposed divorce brought forward, but Beal found that he had jumped only from the gridiron to the hot coals, and rather than sizzle any longer he quietly left Fresno and his fiancee, as he hoped, forever.

But the landlady was determined not to be left in the cold in that uncermonious manner, and she extended her inquiries as to her truant lover's whereabouts until she learned that he was working in East Portland.

Thither she has gone, and will come upon him suddenly and without warning to chide him for having attempted to escape from her chaste caresses.

News from East Portland is looked for daily by former residents of DeWitt county, Illinois.

THE GENTLE COOLIE.

Ah Yung Held to Answer for a Murderous Assault.

Ah Yung, a murderous-looking Coolie, was placed on examination before Recorder Prince yesterday on a charge of assault to murder one Ah Charley, a native of the Celestial No Sabe Empire. Both men were employed as cooks in the Scandinavian Hotel, and became engaged in a quarrel the other day as to the proper method of dejacketing the Irish potato. Ah Yung insisted that the spuds should be cut in half before being peeled and Ah Charley insisted that they should be peeled whole.

They finally lost their tempers, and Ah Yung, who was still smarting over the loss of $1.35 in a fan tan game the night before, whacked viciously at a round of beef with a four pound cleaver.

"By the way," he remarked with that fine humor characteristic of the Mongolian, "Your head, Ah Charley, reminds me very much of an Irish potato. Now, for the sake of the argument let us assume that your head is a spud. Now *we will assume that this cleaver* is a vegetable knife, and I will by your leave, my Canton descendant of a race of yellow dogs with blue tails, proceed to illustrate my proposition more clearly," saying which he swung the cleaver around and cut a gash in the back of Charley's head with it.

Charley yelled "Murder! Help!" in good English and Ah Young exclaiming wittily, "Fen slips," cut a deep gash in his scalp.

"I'll get my hand in after awhile," remarked Ah Yung, as he aimed another blow at Charley's head, but Charley grasped him by the wrist with one hand and caught him tightly around the waist with the free arm.

Charley, whose head and face were covered with blood, was engaged in what might have been a death struggle with his assailant, when John T. Field, the proprietor of the hotel, ran in and disarmed Ah Yung.

"I'll kill him yet," said Ah Yung.

The prisoner interposed no defense and was held to answer before the Superior Court, with bonds fixed at $2000.

The prosecuting witness was placed under $500 bonds as a guarantee that he would appear and testify when the case came up in the Superior Court, as it appeared that negotiations had been set on foot already by the friends of the parties to compromise the case.

Rev. Dr. Fay.

Our people have an opportunity today to hear one of the most interesting and able of American pulpit orators, Dr. Fay, so long the accepted minister to a large congregation of liberal people at Los Angeles, will speak at Riggs Theater for the Unity Club of this city to-day at 11 A. M. His subject will be "The Twofoldness of Human Life and Human Nature."

Christmas Tree Offerings.

At the Christmas tree of the Christian Church Sunday school on Tuesday night, while every child enrolled will receive a present, all, both old and young, are requested to hand into the committee some gift of clothing, food, toy or other present, or money, for the poor of our city. Or they may give money for the missionary work, where there are no Sunday schools, churches and other Christian privileges and offerings.

Bruce Cavitt's Health.

E. J. Griffith received a letter yesterday from Bruce Cavitt, the lawyer, formerly of this city, stating that he landed in Liverpool, England, on December 1st, and that he would immediately depart for Florence, Italy, passing through London and Paris on the way. He reports having improved greatly in health and considerably in weight since he left California.

California Ahead of All.

There are certain plants indigenous to California: the extracts of which, are so effective in subduing all pain, that Mr. A. Schoenheit, a chemist of San Jose, Cal., felt certain that in combining them with the best and almost entirely unknown foreign substances, which he examined and found to be superior pain destroyers, on his scientific travels throughout the world, a medicine could be compounded which would become the most effective liniment in existence. He has solved the problem, and at the present time there is no discovery which has created so much surprise as "That Wond'rous Liniment." This medicine cures Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Sciatica, Sprains, and all aches and pains. It is for sale at 50 cents and $1 by your enterprising druggists, Buker & Colson.

Frank Douglass of Cherry avenue, Washington colony, has invented a new raisin press which does away with the inconvenience of the press now in use. He has applied for a patent.

FROM SHELBYVILLE.

The New Town on the Verge of an Alkali Boom.

PLUG HATS ARE ALL THE RAGE.

A Syndicate Formed to Build a Magnificent Chateau in the Beautiful Suburbs.

Special Correspondence of THE REPUBLICAN.

SHELBYVILLE, January 31, 1889.

It has been a long time since I have had the pleasure of visiting your pretty city, Fresno, yet in my dreams I fancy I can see it still progressing, still lively and still full of enterprising citizens and vags. Once in a while some of your transient Eastern visitors come over here to see us and speak well of our little city. We have but few accommodations here yet for high-toned visitors, not having built any large hotels or having a very large city jail. Our city is not as yet incorporated, and, therefore, we have no police force.

THE NEWS.

Our little weekly paper here, named "Indignation," has no police column on its yet unstained pages. Our mail-carrier is very prompt, and delivers your paper to us every morning, and we are never tired reading how "frisky" the damage suits are coming in and to see how "short" some of them are.

We were surprised to find that no more vagrantiest your city, and sorry to know that your "Captains" and "Detectives" are arresting "indignant citizens."

I understand that the City Fathers have lengthened the paving company's contract from "their natural lives" to "one hundred years," with a clause attached to the contract giving more time to their "heirs and executors" if asked for.

THE CHATEAU.

We have started, by means of a corporation here, to build a "Chateau Shelbyville" to join the "Chateau de Papier" at Chicago, Kern county.

Oh! yes, there is a new railroad being built here, and as the officials tell us, they are heading for Fresno, and that they have come from Monterey, and expect to establish a small depot at Fresno in conjunction with the Stockton road, which will reach your city sooner or later.

We have laid out a public square and fenced it in with hitching posts and chains. We have planted beautiful ornamental trees which take off their overcoats in winter, and some time we are going to plant clover, make ponds and put seats all around in the park. When we raise money enough (we have $400 now) we are going to put a $1500 public fountain at the front entrance of the park, facing "Mud" street.

A DISGUSTED OFFICER.

We had a visitor here from Fresno today in the garb of a Deputy Constable. He got off the cars at Lookout depot, walked up our main street, peered into every crook and corner, apparently looking for something.

Our reporter accosted him in a friendly way, after gazing upon him, supposing him to be a "junk" seeker, and asked him for "news." He said he intended to establish a branch "vag" office here to be run by orders from Fresno. Yesterday he began to work and painted a sign on his door, "Fees Collected Immediately."

Our leading hatter did a rushing business to-day, and every man, woman and child is wearing stovepipe hats. Mr. Officer vacated his office soon after and left for Fresno, where he can find more employment. This is about as much as I can write to-day. I will write again soon.

I date this letter in 1890, making allowance for the delay in your postoffice, and thereby think you may get the letter in a reasonable time after it was dated.

R. L. S. TATE.

Chateau Adobe, 'Possum Avenue, Shelbyville.

P. S.—Since writing the foregoing I concluded to deliver it in person.

SOCRATES AND CHRIST.

Their Characters Contrasted by the Rev. Philo F. Phelps.

On Sunday night last Rev. P. F. Phelps delivered the fourth of the series of discourses upon the subject, "Great Cities and their Great Heroes," taking as the special topic, "Athens and Socrates." The following are extracts:

"We will now retrace our steps, and at last we come to the very spot where Socrates, the wonderful philosopher, taught his disciples. I can see him standing there talking to a cobbler, perhaps. But he makes his teachings so simple that even he can understand them. Some say that he was an unprepossessing man, and Cicero says that he was of stolid appearance. It was the custom of the teachers of that day to teach deep-woven and mystic sophistry. With Socrates it was different. The simple truth was what he would teach and nothing else. To the sophist, he would say: I am a very plain man and cannot understand your involved logic; please state your ideas so that I can comprehend them; and then he would proceed to tear their sophistry into tatters. He was a great teacher of the youth of Athens.

A BRAWLING WIFE.

"He was a good man, this man Socrates, and we cannot help but admire a man with such rare patience as he possessed. He was married to Zantippe. Of her it is related that she would scold and berate him in the street, and even go so far in her fits of anger as to tear his cloak off of him in the public streets. One time she threw a bucket of slop over him, and he simply said: 'It never thunders but it pours.' He was a pure-minded and a forgiving man. After he had taught for forty years the other teachers, that is, the sophists of whom I spoke before, combined against him and charged that he was teaching immorality to the youth. It was a false accusation, but on it he was tried and condemned to die the death of a criminal. And he drank the fatal cup of hemlock and passed away.

"He was a noble man, and I believe that God will not forget to reward him when the day of final settlement of accounts shall come.

A CONTRAST.

"Now let me contrast the two characters, Socrates and Jesus Christ. Socrates I can understand; Christ I cannot understand.

"Socrates was condemned, among other things, because it was claimed his scholars were corrupt. What? Was Socrates guilty, that he could not regenerate a soul? No, no. He never claimed that power, but Christ did, and in the face of three or four hundred million witnesses to His power to-day, who will question it? Socrates taught for forty years moral truth with human power, and in three centuries after he passed away there were none of his nation to perpetuate his school of moral philosophy. Christ taught divine truth less than three years, and His words are the white electric light of the Nineteenth Century, and eternity will not dim them. Their human lives only touch and then separate. Socrates might have gone to a wedding as Christ, but the water at his word would not blush into wine. Socrates might have eat and talked with a woman at a well and asked, as Christ, for a drink, but he never could or would have said to her Christ's words: "Whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst."

Socrates might have gone as Christ did into a mountain to pray, but would never have come down like the Master and walked on the sea and stilled the storm till the saved sailors cried out, "Thou art the Son of God." Socrates counseled men to lead better lives, but he never could have said, as Christ, with divine authority, "I give unto them eternal life. I and my Father are one."

THE HOUR OF DEATH.

"I see them draw near the hour of death. Socrates is among his friends, who are in deep sorrow, and Cebes says, "Whence, O Socrates, when you are gone, can we procure a charmer for our fear of death?" "Greece is wide, Cebes," says Socrates, "and has skillful men, and there are barbarous nations you should search, not sparing either money or toil." Christ is about to die, and His sorrowing disciples are about Him. What does He say? "Let not your heart be troubled, ye believers in God and believers in me. In my Father's house are many mansions. I go to prepare a place for you."

They are dying now. Socrates takes the hemlock, falls into a stupor soon, and dies quietly as you and I might have done; but Christ dies yonder. The sun is darkened, the earthquake rends the rocks, and murderous soldiers go away saying, "Surely this was the Son of God." Socrates is laid to rest and so is Christ, but from His ready tomb the third day He comes forth, proving His statement, "I am the resurrection and the life." While we honor Socrates, can we do less than receive Christ as the World's Savior.

THE TRUTH AND THE LIFE.

Rev. Dr. DeWitt on the True and Only Road to Heaven.

"I am the way, the truth and the life."—John 14th chapter, 6th verse.

The disciples were giving vent to their pent-up grief in bitter sobs and scalding tears. The World's Redeemer, who had walked and talked with them as they journeyed, was now about to leave. They seemed to themselves as mariners on a stormy and treacherous night, with no chart, no compass, no pilot and no haven in which they could guide their storm-driven bark. He sought to comfort them by telling them that He went away to prepare a place for them, and that He would come again, that He might receive them unto Himself, that they might abide eternally together; that among all the places in the universe of God, He had selected the loveliest of them all, and was fitting it up with infinite skill as a dwelling place for his people.

Authors have written and poets have sung of a Paradise lost. They have told us of its rippling waters, its balmy breezes, its singing birds, its happy homes, and of its joyful inhabitants, but the Paradise gained which He was fitting up had ineffable felicity and infinite delight.

"Where infinite day excludes the night
And pleasure knows no pain.
Where everlasting spring abides
And never fading flowers;
Death like a narrow stream divides.
That heavenly land of ours."

The disciples were anxious to secure that far-away home, and at once inquired of its Divine author to know the direction which they were to travel.

He informed them that He came not to describe the way, but to be the way. That it was not for Him to tell them where they might find truth and light, for He, Himself, was truth and life.

That they, with all the race, stood at a point where they were surrounded on every side by a deep, dark, impassable gulf; that He, alone, had bridged that chasm and opened the only way to the favorable presence of God and the joys of a better life. That He was the only mediator between this world and that, between a sinful man and a Holy God; and while the earth is covered with ways, with sign boards at every turn, each professing to direct the traveler to this better country, that they all end in delusions and disappointment; that this is the only way by which any soul can ever hope to reach an eternal home of rest and joy. That the way is straight and plain, while all other ways are crooked and bewildering.

If a serpent was placed in a straight box and both ends left open he could never escape; he can not go straight, but must pursue a crooked way or remain unmoved and immovable. That all crooked ways are from the crooked source and have their origin in the deception of the serpent.

This way is a way of life, none have ever died upon it, and all who have gone over it have entered upon the full enjoyment of immortal life.

It is a safe way, though lions may crouch upon either side, but they are chained by the Divine decree, "Thus far canst thou come but no farther." Amid the many ways of danger, it alone invites to safety. It is a pleasant way, for "Wisdom's ways are ways of pleasantness, and all her paths are peace."

It is strewn with flowers; the very breezes that sweep across this way are freighted with odors from the heavenly fields.

Kindred and friends are on this way, while many loved ones have finished the journey and are safe upon the other shore.

The good and the true of all ages have gone by this new and living way; the prophets and apostles, the saints and martyrs have all traveled the same way and reached safely the same home, while many to-day are singing the song of:

That beautiful world,
That faraway home of the soul,
Where no storms ever beat on the glittering strand,
While the years of eternity rule.

H. G. DEWITT, D. D.

POOR SAM BROWN.

He Attempted to Cut His Throat While Insane.

Samuel Brown, for over twenty years a farmer in this county, attempted to commit suicide on his ranch, eleven miles north of the city, early yesterday morning by cutting his throat while insane.

The act was committed in the presence of his family, and had it not been for the dull pocket-knife he used and the timely efforts by those in proximity, he would probably have ended his life. When the crazed man was overpowered and prevented from committing further injury Mrs. Brown sent a son to notify Wm. Helm who was on his ranch a few miles distant, and the two, assisted by Constable Johnson, who had also been informed of the trouble, brought Brown to the city. A few hours later he was placed in the keeping of the Sheriff to await examination by the physicians to-morrow morning.

The unfortunate man had been failing mentally for a week past, but no fears were entertained that his reason would give way until yesterday morning, when he got out of bed and refused to speak to his family, only grunting and gesticulating wildly.

In the jail he moves constantly about, and while sitting never allows a moment to pass without staring at the wickets in the cell doors or moving backward and forward in his chair. His actions indicate fear from imaginary persons, as he will frequently throw out one or both arms at full length, as though to push them away, at the same time making a noise similar to that made by persons driving swine.

Many years ago Brown was attacked with a mild form of insanity, but recovered a few months later, after being taken on a trip in the mountains by his wife and some friends.

A sidewalk has been laid along the front of the Fiske building on J street so that people may now safely visit the stores in the block on that side of the street.

Written for THE REPUBLICAN.

ON SEEING THE NEW MOON.

I saw the infant moon o'er my left shoulder,
With timid glance at first, then somewhat bolder;
A little crescent strip of pale filled light
Like unto purest silver burnished bright,
As if a demon, with half-open eye,
Peered down upon me from the western sky,
Intent on evil. From my earliest youth
I've heard it for indubitable truth,
That dire calamities would gather fast—
And through the current month would surely last—
Upon the head of him who thus descried
The new-born moon. At my loved mother's side
I've listened to the wondrous stories told
By men and women wise, experienced, old,
And the dread superstition closely clung
To me, and like a poisonous sting
The thirty days are past, the month is gone,
And of misfortunes I've encountered none,
But in their stead, I only glad have known,
And all my superstition now is flown
And dissipated into thinest air,
Dispelling every trace of trembling fear.
First, was a mortgage, due one many years,
Settled old contrite and repentant tears;
A friend, deceased, willed me his hoarded wealth;
A son, long ill, restored to blooming health;
Twin daughters born to me—quite unexpected—
Mother and children well, and not neglected.
These salient facts, and others I could tell,
Deprive poor Luna of her magic spell,
Deny the stories of "ye ancient times,"
Told in wierd fables and vivarious rhymes.
Must force conviction to the man of sense
That all is delusion and a wild pretence.
The silent moon has nothing more to do
With good or evil, or with me and you.
Than we have with the stars; and I'd as soon
Think to exert an influence on the moon,
Cause it to glow, withdraw its light, stand still,
Or shift its course, obedient to my will.
Away such fancies! Such idle tales begone!
And let the "silver moon roll serenely on."

—EDGAR THORNY.

WILLIAM REILLEY'S WATCH.

John Fisher Held to Answer for Stealing It.

"Rise up, William Reilley," said Assistant District Attorney Welsh to a sunburned young man in Recorder Prince's Court yesterday.

Mr. Reilley rose up, and swore that he arrived in town last Sunday evening and took a room in the United States lodging-house. There were two single beds in the apartment, and, throwing off his coat, he got between the blankets with the rest of his clothes on and immediately fell into a deep slumber. He was awakened by feeling a man's hand searching his pockets, and, as he sat up in bed, the man jumped into his own bed in another corner of the room.

"I missed my silver watch," continued Mr. Reilley, "and I went over towards his bed to search for it, and the man said, 'I don't allow nobody to go through my clothes.'"

Reilley heard the watch ticking in the neighborhood of the bed and he called the landlady, who in turn summoned H. R. West to hear the story of the indignant Reilley. Reilley told West that the man had stolen his watch and two dollars. The prisoner denied having the watch or the money and offered to let West search his clothes. The watch was found on the floor near the wall, "near the off leg" of the accused man's bed, as Mr. Reilley described it.

Detective Smith was sent for and arrested the man, who gave his name as John Fisher. He admitted to the officer on the way to the jail that he had taken the watch out of Reilley's pocket to see what time it was.

The prisoner was held to answer to a charge of grand larceny before the Superior Court, with bonds fixed at $100. The watch cost only $14, but the taking of any article from the person of another—no matter of how little value it may be, is made grand larceny.

NOT A BURGLAR.

But He Succeeded in Alarming Whole Household.

John Meagher, a hardy son of toil who earns his daily beer by working on the manholes of the new sewer, got very drunk last Wednesday evening and mistook George Rupert's mansion for his lodging place—the Tombs Hotel. At about midnight he opened the door, walked into the parlor, seated himself in an armchair in front of the glowing fireplace and went to sleep, with a snore that would have awakened a Russian. Mr. Rupert and two lodgers, Recorder Prince and Dr. Phipps, felt the earthquake and started on a search for the daring burglar, who seemed to be attacking the walls with a battering ram.

It took them half an hour to awaken the drunkard, and even then he was so limp that it required all the muscular power of the three men to convey him to jail.

He pleaded guilty before Recorder Prince yesterday, and was fined $5.

A Good Lecture.

A fair-sized audience assembled at the Young Men's Christian Association Hall last evening to hear Rev. J. M. Webb lecture on the subject of "Joking." Those who attended were delighted, and many who were doubtless kept away on account of the mud missed a rare treat. There were jokes enough to relieve the lecture of any dullness, and yet enough of good sense and literary merit to make it far more than merely entertaining. The speaker justified innocent jokes and jests, but he inveighed against joking on sacred and vulgar subjects, and against practical joking.

The habit of joking about our mother-in-law and the teaching of such pranks as were contained in Peck's Bad Boy he deprecated as of bad character, and when he mentioned that senseless and dangerous form of practical joking with firearms known as the "Didn't know it was loaded," the audience showed their approval by hearty applause. The lecture was interpersed with numerous and humorous illustrations.

Miller the Vagrant.

The attorney for Louis Miller, the convicted vagrant, moved in Recorder Prince's Court yesterday for a new trial, and the execution of the sentence will be withheld during the pendency of the motion. He received a sentence of fifty days imprisonment in the County Jail.

Submitted on Briefs.

The Madera Irrigation District case was yesterday submitted on briefs, to be filed hereafter. The case will probably come up for consideration again in about thirty days.

Timothy Page, the Oakland capitalist, has begun the work of planting 640 acres in Muscat vines near Huron.

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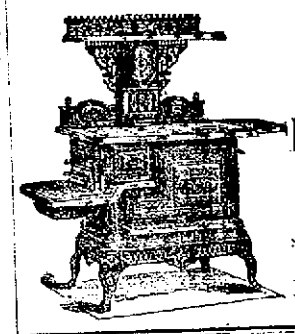

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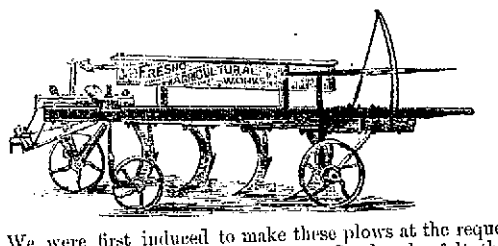

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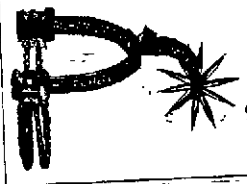

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From the Daily of Tuesday

G. C. Freeman of San Francisco is visiting friends in the city.

Alfred Daggett, the Visalia lawyer, is in the city.

S. A. Miller came down from San Francisco last Sunday.

B. R. Phillips has gone to Traver on a hunting trip for a few days.

J. N. Albin went to Hanford last evening on a short business trip.

George B. Otis, the Selma capitalist, spent yesterday in Fresno on business.

W. R. Bibby returned yesterday from a week's visit to relatives in Los Banos.

Miss Maggie Harrell is spending this week in Visalia, as the guest of friends.

The city druggists will close their places of business from noon to 5 o'clock P. M.

L. C. McAfee, a prominent real estate agent of Bakersfield, spent yesterday in Fresno.

Mrs. E. A. Manning and children went to Hanford last evening to spend Christmas with friends.

Juan Mesas was sent to jail for ten days yesterday by Recorder Prince for being drunk.

Mrs. A. H. Loucks of Santa Rosa is visiting her sister, Mrs. E. I. Hutchinson, in this city.

Dr. James Kellette of Mariposa is spending the holidays in Fresno, as the guest of friends.

Miss Agnes Madden, a teacher in the Oakland schools, is visiting her sister, Mrs. T. A. Bell.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Beckwith went to Tulare City last evening to spend Christmas with relatives.

There are telegrams at the Postal Telegraph office for B. F. Lawson, Marcus Ballasky and J. Strine.

F. E. Tadlock went to San Francisco on this morning's express. He will be absent until next Monday.

C. C. Smith of Eureka, Humboldt county is in Fresno for a few days visiting his cousin, E. L. Woodruff.

Mrs. I. E. Oatman, accompanied by her daughter Miss May, of Sacramento, is visiting her son, E. F. Oatman.

George Hakes of Rock Island, Ill., is spending the holidays with his father, Holmes Hakes, of Cherry avenue.

Miss Nenia Byxbee, who has been attending school in Oakland, has returned to spend the holidays with her parents.

Mrs. Carrie V. Conwell of the, firm of Pancake & Conwell, went to Sacramento this morning to spend the holidays.

C. W. Callahan will leave on this morning's train for San Francisco, where he will remain a week on a visit to relatives and friends.

The M. E. Church South will have a Christmas tree this evening. Everybody invited to come and bring a contribution for the poor.

G. W. Prescott of Meriden, Iowa, father of F. K. Prescott, is visiting his relatives in Fresno and will remain here during the winter.

Miss M. Duncan of Malaga had her left elbow dislocated and the arm fractured by falling from a runaway horse which she was riding last Saturday.

The Peoples' Meat Market has on exhibition an unusually large dressed beef, probably the largest ever seen in the local markets.

Professor W. H. Edwards, a teacher in the Potrero, San Francisco, is the guest of his brother, E. D. Edwards, during the holidays.

Captain Smith purchased from C. H. Burnett yesterday 160 acres near Fairview. He will at once commence to plant the entire tract to raisin vines.

O. J. Woodward, of the First National Bank, and Mr. Vogel, the real estate man, have leased the Belmont street railroad line, the lease to begin January 1st.

Clarence Phillips of Los Angeles is spending a few days in Fresno looking after his real estate interests. Mr. Phillips was a resident of the city two years ago.

I. N. Hyde went to Sanger yesterday, having been informed that many cords of wood on his Kings river ranch had floated off into the river by reason of the recent rains.

Professor Joseph O'Connor of San Francisco, one of the managers of the new colony at Loreto, Kern county, offers for sale, at a bargain, his place in Central colony.

Dan McCarty, the noted horseman, passed through Fresno last evening on his way to San Francisco from the East. He brought along several of his flyers. He has been absent since last April.

County Clerk Williams was yesterday presented with a handsome gold-headed cane from W. S. Badger, W. C. Guard, Miss Mollie Brennan and L. R. Williams, the deputy clerks of his office.

It will be in order for the District Attorney to call the police officers and Deputy Constables together and inform them of the law governing arrests, and the rights of citizens traveling without passports.

The Swedish Lutheran Church of Kingsburg will hold its Christmas services at 5 o'clock in the morning on Christmas day. This is the so-called Swedish "Jul atta." A. M. L. Herenius, Pastor.

The comments in this paper on the reappointment of J. E. Whitson as Postmaster at Selma were not intended as a personal reflection on the acting Postmaster, J. A. Fowler, who is well known in the community as a gentleman of integrity.

Maxey & North sold a twenty-acre vineyard near Fowler yesterday to E. W. Gordon, formerly foreman for A. B. Butler. The price paid was $3500. These gentlemen report the demand for improved twenty and forty acre tracts as active, and that desirable bargains find ready buyers.

D. W. Ward, a prominent business man of Chicago, Ill., is in the city for a few days, the guest of Thomas Burdick. Mr. Ward is suffering from an attack of rheumatism and came to California to try the celebrated waters of Byron Springs. He is delighted with Fresno, and if his health improves will probably invest here.

Recorder Bell Surprised.

County Recorder Bell was taken by surprise as he walked into his office yesterday afternoon. His employes had in store for him several Christmas presents. He had just reached his accustomed place at his desk, when the clerks, who had been waiting for him arose, and with Deputy Recorder Hyde as their spokesman, led him into the large vault room where Mr. Hyde in an appropriate speech on behalf of the clerks presented him with a handsome plush rosewood rocker and a beautifully flowered Japanese chair scarf. Suspended from the top of the rocker was another present, a satin Christmas card, on the back of which were the names of the donors, as follows: Mrs. M. T. Phillips, C. C. Elliott, Miss Jennie Nichols, J. M. Collier, Mrs. C. A. Ledsinger, Miss Emma Williams, Miss Annie Limbaugh, Miss Maggie Harrell, J. M. Statham, I. N. Hyde.

Remember the Poor.

Persons of charitable dispositions should not forget in the glamour of the fumes of roast turkey and eggnogg that the poor are with us, and that they can relieve the resident poor by bringing donations of food, clothing, etc., to the former store of South & Fentem, on Tulare street, where a lady officer of the Fresno Relief Society will be in attendance from 10 A. M. to 5 P. M. every day this week.

THE WORLD'S HOLIDAY.

Christmas Is For All Men and All Climes

THE LESSON OF THE MANGER.

A Lay Discourse From a General Point of View on the Day We Celebrate.

Within four years of 1889 years ago there was born a son to a Jewish couple in Bethlehem. The parents were poor and of the laboring classes, the father being a carpenter. It happened that when they arrived at the little Asiatic village, the only hotel was already overcrowded with travelers who had come to pay their taxes to the Roman government Rome being at that time the political mistress of the world, the same Rome that afterwards, through the birth of this circumcised Jewish infant and by adulterating His doctrine became the religious autocrat of the civilized world.

A UNIVERSAL HOLIDAY.

Notwithstanding the jarring and wrangling of churches as to whether the seed from which this tree that now protects the civilized world in its beneficent shade was planted in heaven, or whether it fell on the common ground and by the operation of Nature grew up as did the other plants and the weeds of humanity to mark a new era, the supposed day of the birth of Jesus Christ is celebrated today all over the civilized world.

His blood dripping from the rude, unpainted cedar cross on Calvary fertilized the soil for the growth of that religion whose name is synonymous with that of the nineteenth century civilization. For nineteen centuries His name and example and teachings have been revered wherever the lamps of civilization have illumined the shadowy recesses of the human mind. He preached and practiced the Universal doctrine of Christian and Pagan, civilized and savage, "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you."

THE WORLD IS ONE.

On the ice-covered wastes of the Arctic zone, whose skies blush and shine with the glory of the aurora, mocking the eye with the languorous warmth of the equator, the stunted Esquimaux, shivering in the stolen skin of the murdered seal, sees in the heavenly panorama of warmth, the token of a better day and a better clime in the wished for life beyond the dark shadow of death.

Among the orange, cocoa and banana groves of tropic lands, where the brightest hues of heaven have been fixed upon the plumage of the silent birds, upon the petals of the poisoned flowers, upon the scales of the deadly serpent, the naked brown savage reads the lesson of death in loveliness, and thus reminded of the uncertainty of life and the vanity of appearances practices those simple virtues of truth and good will inculcated by that Christ of whom he has seldom or never heard.

THE CREED OF CIVILIZATION.

In temperate climes where the intellect of man has blossomed into its highest development under the influence of organized education and under the fostering warmth of the teachings of that same Christ, although religious creeds are as numerous as the leaves on the spreading maple and as changeable as their colors from spring to autumn, every head is bowed and every heart sends forth the incense of silent prayer to the throne of the Infinite in gratitude for the lowly birth and bloody death of that Christ, who first rent the black veil of the world's despair, and caused the light of hope and heaven to lighten the dark mystery of human life.

Because of such memories, of all the days of the year, Christmas is observed by men of all races as the celebration of the birth of that hope, of that spirit of good will and peace to all men which has nerved the tired worker's arms, and which has sustained the courage of the starving, the sick and the dying.

MEMORIES.

It is the holiday alike of the happy and the miserable. It is a day devoted to the contemplation of the dead past, the living present and the immortal future. On this day memory turns backward, smiling through its tears, to the bright days when hope was younger, and though the present be overcast with lowering thunder clouds, the distant future shines with the refulgent glory of peace and prosperity.

Even the skeptic, disgusted with the technicalities of the religious schools, with the bickerings of warring creeds which all seek the same goal, feels better and happier to-day. Though the memory of the outrages of the Inquisition, the murders committed by Bloody Mary Stuart, the burning at the stake by the mandate of the red-haired Elizabeth of England, may impel him to trample upon that cross in whose name human bodies were tortured and human souls crucified, he joins in the universal cheer. Christmas Day is for all creeds, Christian and Pagan, and all races civilized and savage bow down consciously and unconsciously before the sublime teachings of peace on earth and good will toward all men.

THE TEST OF TRUTH.

Surely there must be good and truth in a religion that has survived the shock of nineteen centuries, whose cardinal doctrines are accepted by Buddhist and Bushman, by Christian and Jew, by the Laplander of the frozen North and the isolated savage of the South Sea Isles. Amid the raging waters of doubt, amid the smoke contending armies cutting one another's throats for a bit of red ribbon or a valueless medal of bronze, in the gay salons of a depraved and unnatural civilization, in the log cabin of the lonely pioneer warring with wild beasts, wild men and the inexorable forces of nature for the lives of his wife and children, the Golden Rule shines with a glow as steady, and with a magnetism as potent as that of the star which drew the seven Wise Men of the East to present their offerings of frankincense and myrrh at the manger of the new-born Christ.

THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT.

To-day every heart is filled with the Christmas spirit. In the teeming cities, where the throb of the factory engine beats without a pause through the day and night, until like the human heart it wears itself out and ceases, the thinly-clad pauper looks into the gaily lighted windows of the rich and feels happy because others are so, and because to wife and child he brings a little token of the holiday season to make them smile. Poverty may grind its thousands and tens of thousands to death, but it can never slay the sweet hope that blossoms in the bosom of humanity at the words of the gentle Christ.

This is a day when the poor above all should all be remembered. Christ was a poor lad and his father was a carpenter, and the poor who are with us are in the image or the Savior and should be made happy by the more prosperous. "The poor ye have always with you." They are of you. You may have been of them; you may be yet in their ranks suffering more than from hunger and cold and sickness from the remorse of neglected opportunities, and then the gentle face of the dead Savior on the Cross may come before you in your unquiet sleep and repeat the Golden Rule, "Do unto others as you would have others do unto you."

In the Churches.

The various churches and the Sunday schools connected therewith extended a hearty greeting to Santa Claus last night. While none of the churches wasted any money uselessly in elaborate decorations, the redwood and pine branches and fan palm leaves gave a touch of the freshness of nature to the surroundings that was more pleasing and more in keeping with the occasion than if the walls were hung with satin and gold bullion.

The South Methodists.

There was a very good attendance at the Methodist Episcopal Church South, on the corner of L and Fresno streets, last night, and the Sabbath school children were as merry as larks. The following was the program.

Organ prelude; song, "Lift the Song;" reading by pastor, "The Son;" prayer by pastor; song, "Praise the Lord;" responsive reading; recitation, Lottie Miller, "Christmas Eve;" song, "New Life;" recitation, Alex Jay, "Little Rocker's Christmas;" responsive reading, Rev. B. A. Hawkins; recitation, Eugenie Steele, "Christmas Eve;" recitation, Anna Brower, "Two Little Stockings;" responsive reading; recitation, Blanche Schaeffer, "Annie and Willie's Prayer;" responsive reading; song, "New Life;" recitation, Professor Roberts, "The Smack is School;" instrumental solo (selected), Miss Brock; song, "Awake! Awake!" address by the pastor; song, "Great Salvation;" distribution of presents; benediction.

The Seventh Day Adventists.

The little ones had a merry time last night in the beautiful church of the Seventh Day Adventists. The church was crowded, notwithstanding the sloppy condition of the street crossings. A feature of the occasion was the procession of children carrying their mite to the treasury of the Lord—the box for the reception of donations for the missionary fund. Between $70 and $100 was realized from these contributions.

The following program was well carried out:

Singing, "Glad Christmas Day;" invocation anthem; letter to the children, written by Secretary Mrs. Jennie Waggoner of Sunday school association, and read by Mrs. Andrew Bronson; recitation, "My Christmas Gift," Bula Daniels; dialogue, "The Old, Old Story," Mrs. Maxson and class, followed by chorus, "The Old, Old Story," by the primary division of the Sabbath school; catechism of the world, by Elder J. N. Loughborough of Oakland, in which he brought out the nations to which the gospel had gone with many interesting incidents connected with missionary work; song, "Cheerfully giving," by Sabbath school; doxology.

The Methodist Episcopal Church.

The Methodist Episcopal church was cheerfully decorated with palm leaves, and was filled with the spirit of good will. The exercises were opened with a song by the choir, "Joy to All the World," and the following program was well carried out: Invocation prayer; quartet, "The Lord is Watching O'er His People;" recitation, "Little Jim," by Dora White; recitation, "Little Peterkin Paul," by Clara Hill; class song, "Beautiful Hands;" recitation, "Christmas Morning," by Annie Bernhard; song by the class, "Merry Christmas Bell;" recitation, "Babe of Bethlehem," by the class of Bethlehem; recitation, "Night Before Christmas," by Bertie Russell; anthem, "Christmas Carol," by the choir.

The First Baptist Church.

At the First Baptist Church, on the corner of J and Merced streets, nearly every seat was occupied. The Christmas tree was loaded only with bags of nuts and candies in order that all might be served alike. The following is the interesting program of exercises:

Organ voluntary, song, "The Joy Bells of Heaven," Sunday school; prayer; song, "Welcome, One and All," choir; address, Harry Latimer; recitation, "Complaint of Santa Claus," Miss Eva Bramlet; song, "Every One is Happy," Misses Clara and Nettie Haas, Majie Sayle, Lillie Campbell, Eva Bramlet, Hattie Burleigh, Alice Koons, Cora Donahoo; selection, orchestra; recitation, "A Jolly Santa Claus," Ralph Sayle; recitation, "Christmas Eve," Lissie Haber; song, "Christmas Bells," Sunday school; address, Chester Pedlar; duet, Mrs. Haber and Miss Ella Goddard; recitation, "Oh, the Stockings That Hung in a Row," Majie Sayle.

The Christian Church.

There was a large crowd in the Christian Church and the exercises were of more than usual interest. The exercises were opened with the song, "Merry Christmas," by the choir. This was followed by a song by the school, "Press Toward the Mark;" song by the choir, "Good Will to Men;" prayer by Rev. J. W. Webb.

The appearance of Santa Claus loaded down with presents, in full costume, with sleigh-bell accompaniment, was greeted with a joyous shout. Donations of flour, cooked meats, dried fruits, groceries, toys, clothing, etc., were received for the poor.

A NEBRASKA WIFE.

She May File a Homestead on Her Husband's Property.

EDITOR REPUBLICAN: Please publish in your next week's paper what the laws are in the state of California in regard to real estate. My husband has bought a lot in one of the coast counties. He says it don't make any difference how much real estate a man owns in California his wife holds no share or interest in it; that he can sell whenever he pleases, and that the law does not require the wife to even sign the deed. Is this true. If so, Nebraska wives had better stay where they are. A NEBRASKA WIFE.

Wood River, Neb.

Elisha Garrison's Appetite.

John Rodrick swore to a complaint in Recorder Prince's Court yesterday for the arrest of Elisha Garrison on a charge of attempting to defraud the complainant out of a board bill. Garrison works for Street Contractor Harkins and owes Rodrick $20 for board at the Spanish restaurant on K street. He was paid off by Mr. Harkins the other day and instead of settling for his feed went off on a glorious spree.

Garrison was arrested and will explain hereafter.

The New Colony Lands.

C. S. Young, Manager of Rio Bonito Colony, Butte county, is stopping at the Grand Central. He, with Professor Joseph O'Connor, who owns forty acres in Central Colony, has purchased 2000 acres of land at Lerdo, twelve miles this side of Bakersfield. They sell in twenty-acre lots of excellent vineyard land located between the Beardsley and Calloway canals, and within one mile of the station, at $60 per acre, with ditches to every twenty-acre tract, and on six years time, the first payment to be made at the end of the third year at 7 per cent interest. They will themselves set out this season 250 acres, chiefly of Muscat vines. Several Fresno people will go over to Lerdo next week to examine the land with a view of purchasing in the new colony. de25t1*

Don't forget to try some Shoker dried sweet corn for your Christmas dinner at Collins & Mann, corner Fresno and N streets. de24t2

Forty acres adjoining the Fruit Vale estate to exchange for improved city property. Maxey & North, Masonic Temple, Tulare street. de19tf

The nicest and most stylish line of Neckties in the city, at the lowest prices, at the Ideal One-Price Clothing House, 1130 North J street. de20tf

OFFICIALS ARRESTED.

Coroner and Deputy Indicted by the Grand Jury.

THE BASIS OF THE CHARGE.

How a Bill Was Sent to the Supervisors by the Mistake of the Deputy Coroner's Father.

When the Grand Jury presented their partial report just before they took their vacation, much curiosity was manifested as to the identity of the five persons who were indicted. Yesterday the identity of two of them was revealed in the persons of Coroner Bishop and His Deputy, J. E. Williams. They were arrested by the Sheriff on indictments charging them with having presented to the Supervisors fraudulent bills for services.

Deputy Coroner Williams made a statement last night to a REPUBLICAN reporter to the following effect:

Some time last summer a man died suddenly on the Daulton ranch, fourteen miles from Madera, and the Coroner was notified.

J. E. Williams, his deputy and son Brydges went out to the scene and held an inquest. Mr. Daulton told Mr. Williams that he would pay the funeral expenses, and Mr. Williams charged him $7 for the coffin and a dollar a mile for carrying the body to Fresno, thirty-seven miles, making the bill $44, which Mr. Daulton paid.

When it came time for the undertaking firm of S. H. Williams & Son to present bills to the Supervisors for burying indigent dead, etc., S. H. Williams, his father, handed the Deputy Coroner a batch of bills and requested him to present them before the Board. J. E. Williams, without examining the bills, did so, without knowing that the Daulton bill of $44 was among the number. He had no reason to believe that it was, because he had told his father not to charge the county for that job.

When the board came to examine the bills they found the item of $44 and sent for Williams for an explanation. The Deputy Coroner was not in his office at the time, and his father went before the board and explained that the $44 bill had been handed in by mistake and that no charge would be made for that. The board at this showing struck off the $44 and paid the remainder.

Coroner Bishop sent in a bill to the Supervisors for mileage and fees for the inquest and this is the basis of the charge against him.

FROM BURROUGH VALLEY.

An Entertaining Letter on Social and Religious Matters.

Special Correspondence of THE REPUBLICAN.

BURROUGH VALLEY, Fresno Co., December 17, 1889.

The gigantic prevaricator has said that it never rains in Southern California. Whoop! It hasn't rained any for the past two months, oh, no! a thousand times no. Just a heavy dew or a Scotch mist, so to speak. The man who predicted a dry winter has sloped. His prophesies, and the actual meteorological condition of affairs don't dove-tail to any very alarming extent.

A TIMELY ADJOURNMENT.

Last Saturday the entire populace, and a few small boys, assembled en masse to offer up a mammoth and far-reaching prayer for it to stop raining. A committee was appointed to ascertain the direction of the wind, and when they reported that it was from the south, a good old brother arose and moved to adjourn, as there was no use praying for dry weather until the wind changed to the north.

A new postoffice has been established here, and its name is Burrough. The petition to the Postoffice Department called for Burrough Valley, but the Department kicked against a name that parted its hair in the middle, so they squelched the Valley, and it is plain Burrough.

Mr. O. Paddock will read the postal cards.

CHURCH MATTERS.

The Orthodox and Liberal Christians of this place met last Sunday and organized a Sunday school with R. R. Freeman as superintendent, George Selby assistant and Miss Ida Williams, secretary, librarian and treasurer. Our Adventist friends have had a Sabbath school for a number of years, but this is the first effort on the part of the Orthodox and Liberals. Its inception is due to Miss Ida Williams.

SOCIAL EVENTS.

The young people have inaugurated a series of balls, alternating between the residences of Wm. Eversoll and A. S. Duncan, and we take this opportunity to thank the gentlemen for the use of their parlors.

Last Friday night Freddy's parents would not let him go to the ball, so he stayed at home and had a bawl all to himself.

CHRISTMAS.

Some Observations by Rev. Dr. DeWitt on the Holiday.

"There was no room for him at the inn." Luke II, 7th verse.

There is no statute passed by the law-making power of a state, no act by the Congress of the United States, no proclamation by the executive of a state or nation, no promissory note, no legal or social engagement, that does not recognize the birth of Christ. Indeed, skepticism and infidelity many times every day records the year of our Lord. If this be a myth or priestcraft and delusion, then are we a nation of idiots, to so repeatedly recognize in so many important ways, that which is the merest fancy?

The fact of our Lord's being excluded from the inn was not because of poverty or unwillingness to pay the expenses of suitable accommodation.

BORN IN POVERTY.

The countrymen of Joseph had come up from every part of the land, that they might settle in the city of their ancestors, the tax that had been levied upon them, others had arrived at the inn, in advance of Joseph and Mary and had engaged for themselves the accommodation offered by the keepers of the inn. The place of His birth was a necessity, under the force of ruling circumstances. That He was born in Bethlehem of Judea, and cradled in a manger, is, however, very significant.

Bethlehem was the least of all the cities of Judea, a place lowly and despised by all people of caste and yet He, who was the only child ever born on earth, who had the choice of the place where He was to be born, chose for Himself these humble and despised surroundings, had He chosen He might have been born among the seven hills of Rome, the classic hills of Greece, or in the royal palace of the Ceasars.

JUDGING BY APPEARANCES.

Nothing could render a stranger testimonial of the slight importance which the infinite mind attaches to place, circumstances and material conditions.

The Apostle Paul confesses that it had been his custom to judge men after the flesh, to judge them by titles, office, social or political standing; he confesses that he had so judged the Son of God and regarded Him as a despised Nazarene, but now that he had received divine light, he judged in this way no more.

All through the ages of the past there has been a strong prejudice against places, circumstances and secular conditions.

SOCIAL CASTE.

"Can anything good come out of Nazareth," has been frequently asked. Not many years ago some people who lived in the city of New York looked upon people who had chosen a home in Brooklyn as having lost social caste. To be born in Boston has been regarded as quite a distinction, though they were born in a hovel of that renowned city.

It takes a strong lesson to correct such a grievious error. We have here the most glorious personage in the universe, born amid the most lowly surroundings. Some of the most remarkable events, aside from this of the birth of Christ, have occurred in lowly places.

Pilgrim's Progress with Christian on his way to the delectable mountains and the Celestial City, was born in Bedford jail, but no other book, save the Bible only, has exercised a world-wide influence. A lonely rural district in Belgium was the battle-field that decided the destiny of empire through all Europe.

BORN IN A CABIN.

Abraham Lincoln was born in a cabin and worked at the most menial service, but no star shone in the constellation of the political heavens with superior brightness.

The exclusion of Christ from the inn seemed the precursor of a strange hostility towards the person, service and teachings of the Divine Lord that has been as marked as it is remarkable.

The growth of all material interest and secular prosperity antagonizes the life, labor and teachings of Him that would subordinate every earthly interest and human relationship to the cause of God and the souls of men.

"It is hard for a rich man to enter the Kingdom of Heaven." The pride and prejudice so common to humanity is strongly hostile to Him, "Who being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God, but made Himself of no reputation."

GOD IN THE CONSTITUTION.

There was no place for Christ in the inn. It was thought by the framers of this government that there was no room in the Constitution of the United States; no room in Congress or Legislative hall; no room in public schools for the education of the youth of our land; no room in Chambers of Commerce and Boards of Trade; no room in the office of the attorney; no room in the practice of the physician; no room in many of the sermons of our ministers; no room in the shops or out in the fields; no room in the kitchen or in the parlor of the people; in short, no room in the heart of woman or the man for the birth and life of Christ, and yet He is the friend you need. "The friend that sticketh closer than a brother;" the friend that will comfort you in sorrow, cheer you in affliction and dispense light, joy and gladness to every sorrowing heart.

He will help you in business, lighten your burdens, and make easy even the drudgery of life. He is genial and highly social. They complained of Him that He came eating and drinking; a wine bibber, a friend of publicans and sinners. You will find Him at the marriage feast in Canaan of Galilee, always and everywhere.

If you have Christ born in your heart, as He was born in Bethlehem of Judea, you have all things richly to enjoy.

H. G. DEWITT, D. D.

A Pastor's Christmas Gift.

Elder J. W. Webb informed a REPUBLICAN reporter that his first Christmas present, this year, came by mail and proved to be a good, ripe orange, the prepaid postage being 15 cents. Whether or not it was a "joke," "sending coals to Newcastle," it was certainly a conundrum until a letter of explanation arrived. Two years ago, while visiting at the house of a friend, near Salem, Oregon, he saw a young lady carefully tending and nursing a little orange tree, that she had raised in the house from a seed. Telling her that that was too slow a way of raising oranges, he promised to put her in the way of a more speedy crop. Accordingly he sent in California for a budded tree and made her a present of it, with instructions how to plant it in a half barrel, keeping it out in all the sunshine and taking it in from all the frosts. He laughingly stipulated that he was to have the first fruits. Now in California, he had forgotten all about it, till the aforesaid orange, one of the thirty-six nice ones, came to hand. The tree is not only loaded with fruit, but is in full bud and bloom again. It is looked upon as a great rarity by the neighbors, and may prove something of an advertisement for the state where they grow and ripen in the open air.

Schneider's Fatal Sausages.

"It's no use, Judge," said J. F. Kline to Recorder Prince yesterday; "whenever I'm drunk I've got to steal something. I can't help it, for I was born that way."

Mr. Kline went into Schneider's saloon the other day, walked into the pantry, tucked a string of pork sausages worth three bits, under his coat and proceeded leisurely to walk out of the door. But the sausages hung down under his coat and were noticed by Mr. Schneider's patrons, who gave the alarm. Mr. Kline carelessly dropped the sausages on the floor and kicked them under the table.

"Fifty days in the County Jail," remarked the Recorder, with a yawn.

"Thank ye, sir."

"Don't mention it," returned the Court, with equal politeness. "It gives me as much pleasure, I assure you, to pronounce the sentence as it gives you to receive it."

More Postal Mismanagement.

On the 19th of this month John Whitehead of this city received a letter from Leeds, England, postmarked "Leeds, December 2," "New York, December 8," and "Fresno, December 15." It lay six days in the Fresno postoffice before it was handed to Mr. Whitehead, who had called and inquired for it every day. It took that letter as long to get from the back door of the postoffice to the delivery window as it did to go from England to New York, and a day longer than it took to get from New York to Fresno.

Remember the Poor.

A lady will be in attendance from 10 A. M. till 5 P. M. daily in room 1741, in the Hughes block, formerly occupied by South & Fentem, to receive donations for the Fresno Relief Society during the remainder of this week. Donations of all kinds are solicited, including second-hand clothing, boots, shoes, provisions, etc.

Charged With Stealing.

Juan Espinoza, a Mexican, had Justice Hogue issue a warrant last evening for the arrest of George Stockard, whom he alleges stole a certain sum of money left on a card table in a Front-street saloon during a row yesterday. Stockard was brought into Court, and his bond was placed at $100, which he gave pending his appearance for trial, which is set for next Saturday morning at 9:30 o'clock.

Alexander the Great.

John P. Alexander appeared before Justice Hogue yesterday and pleaded not guilty to a charge of battering his wife. He asserted that he was Alexander the Great, but the Court ordered him to appear for trial to-morrow, just the same as if he was a plain, common citizen.

HUNTER DID IT.

Special Ragsdale Swears He Did not Arrest Thurman.

THREE DOLLARS FROM BANTA.

Deputy Constable Hunter's Strange Ideas of the Rights of Citizens.

B. R. Thurman, a cousin of Allan G. Thurman, the bandana bearer of the Democracy in the last educational campaign, was the first witness called in Justice of the Peace Hogue's Court yesterday in the case of the people against Special Policeman J. F. Ragsdale, charged with having illegally arrested young Mr. Thurman.

He testified that he was 21 years old, and recited the facts of his arrest several evenings ago on a baseless charge of vagrancy. He said that while his father's dead body was lying at Undertaker Williams' rooms, he went to the railroad depot to meet his brother, who he expected would arrive from Sacramento to attend the funeral. While waiting for the cars he walked some distance away from the platform, and met two men, one of whom he had known in Stockton. While they were smoking cigarettes Deputy Constable Hunter came along and asked the party as to who they were, where they lived, and what they were doing there.

THE INQUISITION.

The two men made some explanation and Hunter walked away, and at about the same time Ragsdale came up and asked the witness who and what he was.

"I told him my name," continued Mr. Thurman, "and that I lived at the Mount Sterling vineyard, eight miles east of town. I started to walk away and he said he would put me under arrest."

Ragsdale took along the two other men, and Hunter, with two men whom he had caught near the freight train, joined them. Thurman, a few moments afterwards, told the officer that his father was lying dead at the undertaker's and the officers went there with their prisoners, and on ascertaining that Thurman's statement was the truth, told him to go his way.

"Ragsdale said 'your statement may be true, but I'll be d—d if I believe it.'"

Police Officer Anderson testified that three nights after the arrest Thurman told him that he had been arrested by a Deputy Constable. He told the witness that he didn't know what the Deputy Constable's name was, but when the witness asked him whether it wasn't Hunter he said yes.

HUNTER MADE THE ARREST.

Special Ragsdale testified that Hunter asked him to accompany him to the depot and to the stock corral near there. He complied and they separated. When he came up behind the warehouse he found Hunter talking with Thurman and the two men who were with him. Hunter said, "What are you fellows doing here?" They replied, "Nothing." Hunter asked them if they were going away on the train and they said they were not.

"Their answers," continued Mr. Ragsdale, "were very unsatisfactory. It appeared to me that they didn't give a good account of themselves, and hesitated as to what they were to say. Hunter asked them a good many questions and finally he said, 'I want you fellers,' or 'You are the fellers I want. Ragsdale, you watch these fellers while I go up to the end of the train.' He saw two other fellers there and he came back with two men and said, 'Come on Ragsdale.'"

Hunter walked ahead with the four prisoners and Ragsdale walked behind with Thurman. After learning at the undertaker's that Thurman's story was true, Ragsdale told Thurman to go his way.

"I state positively and emphatically that I didn't arrest Thurman," continued the witness. He said also that he had never seen Thurman or the others before.

"When Hunter started for the freight train Thurman said to the other two, 'let's go,' and I said, 'no; you can't go.' I had my club on my left wrist and my hand on my pistol in my pocket."

A THREE-DOLLAR DIVVY.

The witness on cross-examination admitted that he had once received $3 from Deputy Constable Banta for helping him and Deputy Constable Doolittle to make an arrest.

"When they asked my assistance I said, 'I would like to help you gentlemen all that I can, but I am wearing myself out,' and they told me that they did not want me to work for nothing. Mr. Hunter has said the same thing."

Deputy Constable Hunter corroborated the statement of Ragsdale, and affirmed positively that he himself, and not Ragsdale, had put Thurman and the others under arrest. He had told Ragsdale to take charge of the men. Three of the prisoners were discharged the next morning, as there was no evidence against them, and as they gave a good account of themselves. The witness had never seen any of the prisoners before and knew nothing about them.

The witness said that he had arrested the two other men, making five arrests on that occasion, because the two men had been turned off the train by the brakemen and were trying to get on the cars again.

"You didn't know when you arrested them that they were idle and dissolute persons or associates of known thieves?"

"No, sir," was the reply.

Mr. Welsh informed the witness that such was not the law. The vagrancy act applied to "idle and dissolute persons and associates of known thieves roaming about at late and unusual hours of the night."

When asked by Assistant District Attorney Welsh why he had arrested these men, he replied, "for roaming about at late and unusual hours of the night."

"They were simply trying to get away from town," asked Mr. Welsh, "when you arrested them?"

"Yes, sir."

"If you are paid for making these arrests would you pay Ragsdale for assisting you?"

"If Ragsdale should want anything, I would give it to him," was the answer.

The jury, after being out several hours, were unable to agree, and were discharged. They stood six for conviction and five for acquittal.

THE TRUSTEES.

They Grant Several Petitions for Electric Lights.

A full Board attended the regular meeting of the City Trustees at the City Hall last evening, President Pedlar in the chair. Gradually the lobby began to be filled with spectators, and by the time the reading of the minutes was begun every available seat was occupied.

LIQUOR LICENSES.

W. S. Scott, of 1263 F Street, to whom the Board refused to grant a saloon license on account of irregularities in his petition last week, presented a new petition, which under the rule was laid over for one week.

The petitions of R. B. Russell and Charles Rossi for liquor licenses were denied.

The petition of William Degan for a saloon license was granted.

Roemer & Smith presented a petition for a liquor license in the Baker building on Mariposa street, wh[...] until next Monday evening.

Messrs. William Helm, H. P. Hedges, J. T. Shanklin and others, property-owners on Fresno street, per communication, asked that their names be withdrawn from the petition for the improvement of Fresno street from R street east to the city limits. The request was granted.

ELECTRIC LIGHTS.

Petitions were received from property-owners asking that the Board cause to be constructed electric lights on the following street corners: Mariposa and R streets, Tuolumne and J streets and Merced and I streets. The reports were placed on file.

The report of Street Superintendent Cummings relative to the grading, curbing and sidewalking of Q street, from Mariposa street to Tulare street, and M street, from Fresno street to the north line of the city limits, except the crossing of Merced street and the paving with bitumen and curbing and guttering of J street from the north line of Tulare street to the south line of Mariposa street, was read and accepted, and the City Attorney was instructed to draw up an ordinance of acceptance of the work on behalf of the city.

Cole, from the Street Committee, was instructed to present at the next regular meeting of the Board, plans and specifications for a contract between the city and the Electric Light Company, for electric lights. He recommended the establishment of lights on the corners of Mariposa and R streets, Merced and I streets, on the crossing of Tuolumne and J streets, and on the corner of Inyo and K streets. The recommendations were adopted.

A NEEDED IMPROVEMENT.

The City Attorney was instructed to find out what legal steps are necessary for opening up certain streets across the Southern Pacific Company's railroad reservation, and report to the Board, if possible at its next regular meeting.

THE MOTOR ROAD.

The franchise petitioned for by E. B. Perrin and J. R. White to run a motor road over Monterey street was granted.

The City Engineer was instructed to make an examination of the condition of the mill ditch, and report to the Board at its next regular meeting.

The plans and specifications of A. C. Crossman for the proposed two-story engine-house were adopted.

A. M. Clark was appointed as Commissioner of the Overflow Fund, with bonds fixed at $10,000.

Tombs brought up the matter of swinging harness for the Fire Department.

Cole moved that the Fire and Water Committee be instructed to procure harness of the most improved pattern for the Fire Department.

On motion Cole was instructed to have the paved streets cleaned, and in doing so to use the road scrapers.

Adjourned.

Written for THE REPUBLICAN.]

THE SAVIOR OF THE WORLD.

While shepherds watched their bleating flocks
Feeding upon the plains below,
They, seated on projecting rocks,
Beheld a bright, effulgent glow.
The messenger of God appeared,
And the Lord's glory shone around;
The trembling shepherds greatly feared,
And prostrate fell upon the ground.
"Fear not," the angel gently said,
And widely spread his sheltering wing,
"Be of good cheer; be not afraid;
Good tidings of great joy I bring;
For unto you is born this day
A Savior, which is Christ, the Lord;"
And with a simple credence, they
Believed the angel's kindly word.
The heavenly hearts sing in the sky
Loud praises to their Maker, then,
"Glory to God, who rules on high,
On earth be peace, good will to men."

A helpless babe, a smiling boy,
Lay in the humble manger,
And wise men came from the far East,
To see the little stranger;
They came with gold and spices rare,
And other precious treasure;
Laid their rich gifts before His feet
With undissembled pleasure.
It was the Lord, the Promised One,
Immanuel from Heaven,
The Savior, the Redeemer blest,
To fallen mankind given.

On Calvary's sacred mountain
The Lord was crucified,
A cleansing, healing fountain
Flowed from His wounded side,
And in that scarlet current,
If we but bathe to-day,
Our sins and guilt abhorrent
May all be washed away.

From the dark chamber of the tomb
The Savior rose, and broke in twain
The fettering bonds that held Him there,
And went to Heaven again;
And through His resurrection, we
Who on His name and blood believe,
And trust to His atoning power,
A victory may achieve;
And round Jehovah's shining throne
This joyful song shall gladly sing,
"Where is thy victory, boasting grave?
O, death! where is thy sting?"

Upon this day the Lord, the Christ, was born,
And on this bright and happy Christmas morn
With the pure bliss His holy name affords,
We crown Him King of Kings, and Lord of Lords,
Proclaim the wondrous story of His birth,
And shout glad tidings o'er the [illegible] earth;
Look to the East! The powerful King of day
Peeps o'er the towering mountains far away,
Lights up the hills, illuminates the vales,
Gilds all the plain, and penetrates the dales,
Breaks through a blackness like the pit of doom,
Banishes night, and dissipates its gloom
With radiant splendor, and with ardent glow,
Sheds His bright glories o'er the earth below
So may the beaming Sun of Righteousness,
With lustrous rays and power to cheer and bless,
Rise on each soul, warm each pulsating heart,
And bid the chilling night of sin depart.
O, may the Son of God and Son of Man,
And man's deliverance by th' Almighty's plan,
Conceived in Heaven e'er the world began,
Be known and honored in our native land,
Isles of the sea, dark Afric's torrid strand,
Wherever seas may roll, or oceans roar,
From pole to pole, from shore to distant shore,
Till all the earth, enlighted and unblest,
Shall find in Him a heavenly joy and rest;
Till every nation on this rolling sphere
Our risen Lord shall worship and revere,
And with humility and faith proclaim
Glory and honor to His matchless name.

—EDGAR THORNE.

is believed to be [...] arising from low, marshy land or [...] vegetable matter, and which, breathed into the lungs, enter and poison the blood. If a healthy condition of the blood is maintained by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla, one is much less liable to malaria, and Hood's Sarsaparilla has cured many severe cases of this distressing affection.

A Wonderful Medicine.

"For malaria I think Hood's Sarsaparilla has no equal. It has kept my children well right through the summer, and we live in one of the worst places for malaria in Marysville. I take Hood's Sarsaparilla for that all gone feeling, with great benefit." MRS. B. F. DAVIS, Marysville, Cal.

Break-Bone Fever.

"My daughter Pearl was taken with dengue (or break-bone) fever 2 years ago, and my friends thought I would lose her. I had almost given up hope until she began to take Hood's Sarsaparilla. She took four bottles in four months, and gained 15 pounds. I thank Hood's Sarsaparilla for giving her back to me restored to health and strength." JULIA A. KING, Sherman, Texas.

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Sold by druggists. $1; six for $5. Prepared only by C. I. HOOD & CO., Apothecaries, Lowell, Mass.

100 Doses One Dollar

Notice for Publication.

Land Office at Visalia, Cal., November 29, 1889.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver of U. S. Land Office at Visalia, California, on April 17th, 1890, viz: Joseph Dillon, preemption D. S. No. 10,125 for lots 5, 10, 11 and 12, Sec. 5, T 13 S, R 10 E, M. D. M.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of, said land, viz: Frank P. Soule, Cristobal Padia, Thomas F. Langan and Mauricio Roza all of Los Banos, California.

M. J. WRIGHT, Register.

Notice to Creditors.

ESTATE OF NEIL ROBISON, DECEASED—Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, John J. Robison, Executor of the estate of Neil Robison, deceased, to the creditors of, and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to exhibit them with the necessary vouchers, within four months after the first publication of this notice, to the said John J. Robison, at the law office of Webb & Strother, the same being his place for the transaction of the business of the said estate in the County of Fresno, State of California.

JOHN J. ROBISON,
Executor of the Estate of Neil Robison, Deceased.
Dated at Fresno, December 2, 1889. d6tw

Land Notice.

U. S. Land Office, Visalia, Cal., November 11th 1889.

COMPLAINT HAVING BEEN ENTERED at this office by Michael C. Hurley against Paul J. Crowley for failure to comply with law as to Timber-Culture entry No. 2019, dated October 10th, 1887, upon the SW ¼, section 24, township 20 south, range 17 E, in Fresno county, California, with a view to the cancellation of said entry; contestant alleging that the said Paul J. Crowley has not broken, plowed or cultivated said land or any portion thereof.

The said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 3d day of January, 1890, at 10 o'clock a. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged failure.

n15tdw R. L. FREEMAN, Receiver.

Notice for Publication.

Land Office at Visalia, Cal., November 18, 1889.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver of United States Land Office at Visalia, Cal., on April 19, 1890, viz.: Lorenz Roach, Pre-emption D. S. No. 10,209, for the NW¼ of section 2, township 13 south, range 10 east, M. D. M.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of, said land, viz.:

Cristobal Padea, Frank P. Soule, Joseph Dillon and Mauricio Roza, all of Los Banos, Merced county, California.

no22t6 M. J. WRIGHT, Register.

Notice for Publication.

Land Office at Visalia, Cal., November 19, 1889.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FOLlowing-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the County Clerk of Fresno county, at Fresno, Cal., on February 10, 1889, viz.: Robert L. Letcher, Pre-emption D. S., No. 9998, for the E½ of SW¼ of section 5, township 13 south, range 25 east.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz.:

Benjamin Dennis, David C. Sample, William J. Hogue, and Benjamin Hendricks, all of Letcher, Fresno county, California.

no22w16 M. J. WRIGHT, Register.

Notice for Publication.

Land Office at Visalia, Cal., November 18, 1889.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FOLlowing-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the County Clerk of Fresno county, at Fresno, Cal., on January 27, 1890, viz.; James Fields, D. S. No. 10,091, for the E½ of NW¼ and W½ of NE¼ of section 32, township 15 south, range 12 east, M. D. M.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz.:

Henry Schumeman, Joseph Brulinel, John Oliver and George L. Woods, all of Panoche, San Benito county, Cal.

no22w16 M. J. WRIGHT, Register.

Notice for Publication.

Land Office at Visalia, Cal., November 7, 1889.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver of the United States Land Office at Visalia, Cal., on April 18, 1890, viz.: Frank P. Soule, Pre-emption D. S. No. 10,165, for the W½ of W½ of section 1, township 13 south, range 10 east, M. D. M.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of, said land, viz.:

Joseph Dillon, Cristobal Padea, Thomas F. Langan and Mauricio Roza, all of Los Banos, Merced county, California.

no22t6 M. J. WRIGHT, Register.

A. A. WINTEMUTE.

WAGON MAKING, HORSESHOEING, BLACKsmithing; repairing of all kinds done with neatness and dispatch. Corner N and Inyo streets, Fresno, California. de13wtf

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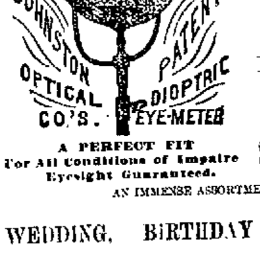

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MARIPOSA STREET (SIGN OF THE BIG WATCH.)

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County taxes will be delinquent at 6 o'clock next Monday evening.

Dr. Rowell will lecture before the Unity Society next Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Dixon returned from San Francisco yesterday.

Mrs. W. H. Ingels is spending the holidays with relatives at Knight's Landing.

J. McKenna, book-keeper for J. P. Heinlein of Lemoore, spent Christmas in Fresno.

Byron D. Beckwith, a capitalist from Lodi, San Joaquin county, is visiting Fresno.

There will be no drill of Company C next Wednesday night on account of the New Year's celebration.

The Palm Leaf Wheelmen have placed a date palm six feet tall in their parlors in the fourth story of the Savings Bank building.

F. Finnell and wife of Tehama county are visiting relatives in this city. Mrs. Finnell is a sister of Mrs. C. Chisholm.

A commercial arithmetic class will be organized at the Young Men's Christian Association next Saturday evening, with Professor Kenyon as teacher.

The proprietor of The Hughes Hotel gave an elegant dinner to members of the press and invited guests last evening in honor of the day.

The Christmas tree festival of the Congregational Church Sunday school last Tuesday evening was well attended and a very entertaining program was presented.

C. Casmero, a Mexican, living in the foot-hills east of Fresno, was taken to Los Angeles last evening by United States Marshal Hayes for cutting timber on government land.

John P. Alexander was tried before Justice Hogue yesterday for wife-beating, and convicted. He was fined $43, with the alternative of forty days imprisonment.

James Porteous yesterday received a cablegram announcing the death of his father, William Porteous, at the age of 85 years. Mr. Porteous was a resident of Haddington, Scotland.

William Martell was arrested last night for an assault with a deadly weapon on Andrew Rader. A warrant was issued by Justice Hogue for Martell's partner in the attack on a similar charge.

There will be a special meeting of Fresno Lodge, No. 247, F. and A. M., at the Masonic Temple this evening at 7:30 o'clock, for the purpose of installing officers. All Master Masons in good standing are fraternally invited.

Street Superintendent Cummings has at last succeeded in getting the Southern Pacific railroad people to put a culvert and drain pipes under the railroad crossing at Inyo street, to drain the water off the railroad reservation at that point.

Owing to the almost impassible condition of the roads and to counter attractions, the attendance at the Christmas ball at Sanger was not very large. First class music was furnished, and those present had a most delightful time. There were celebrations also at Centerville, Dinuba and Reedley.

Judge Gregg of San Luis Obispo has decided that a county cannot collect licenses within the limits of an incorporated city, and the Supreme Court is to be asked to pass upon the question. If Judge Gregg's decision be sustained the wholesale and retail dealers of the state will be relieved of an erroneous and unjust burden.—Exchange.

THE PRESBYTERIAN TREE.

A Good Time for the Sunday School Last Night.

Old Santa Claus was welcomed by a large number of persons at the Presbyterian Church last evening, and the children, who were each presented with a box of candy and an orange from the Christmas tree, were apparently as happy as though they had received the most costly gifts in all the land.

The following was the program of exercises: Organ voluntary; song by the Sunday school; recitation, Elsie Smith; song, children's class; duet, Misses Jennie and Belle Ritchie; song, Walter Olney; recitation, Miss Alma Higgins; song, children's class; recitation, Miss Belle Ritchie; solo, Miss Ritchey; recitation, Ralph Woodward; song, Sunday school.

A Sad Christmas for Him.

An aged Mexican, very poorly dressed, fell from weakness and fever on the sidewalk in front of Gus Lamond's liquor saloon, on Mariposa street, between H and I streets, yesterday forenoon. The proprietor very kindly took him inside and sat him in an arm chair beside the stove.

The poor old man was very much emaciated, and his teeth were chattering and every muscle quivering with the ague. He was so sick that he could not give his name, although requested in his native language to do so.

... month ending December 6th. It has been in session three months and he expresses himself as much pleased with his pupils and the work accomplished:

Number of pupils enrolled 45, of whom the following are on the roll of honor: The standing is, Nellie Oneal 96, Pauline Haskins 91, Alvin Akers 96, Annie Douglass 90, Mary St. Louis, Mary Douglass, Viola Douglass, Dora Street, Sweasey Powers, Charles St. Louis, Henry St. Louis, Cora Akers.—Kings River News.

Another Land Sale.

Maxey & North, the real estate agents, got up from a turkey dinner yesterday afternoon and after piously saying grace sold lot 256 in the Washington Colony to A. Briggs, who owns the adjoining property. The price is said to have been $4000. Fresno colonists understand the value of Fresno land, and they are not likely to pay a dollar more than the actual value of real estate.

Rabbit Potpie.

Several scores of men armed with shotguns went out on the flats north of town on Christmas morning bent on a general jackrabbit slaughter. The chase was so hot that several dozen hares were driven down to the Belmont Mission Sunday school building for refuge.

Jeff Davis on a Tear.

Jeff Davis of Sanger attempted to run that town on Christmas Eve, and first getting drunk, terrified the peaceable citizens by discharging his revolver. He shot a Sanger man in the foot and then went to sleep off his drunk. Strange to say, he was not arrested.

Only a few days more in which to get an appointment for first-class dental work with Dr. Richey, the popular dentist, for every day now finds him still busier.
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FEARS OF A FLOOD.

A Large Force of Men Sent to Strengthen the Levees.

HIGH WATER EXPECTED TO-DAY.

Prompt Measures Taken by the City Authorities to Prevent a Catastrophe.

A reporter of THE REPUBLICAN visited the scene of the expected break in the canal yesterday afternoon and found 100 men industriously at work shoveling mud on the levee. The point visited was a mile north of the Las Palmas vineyard, one of the lowest places in the entire length of the canal that the adjoining vineyardists and the people of Fresno will have to contend against in case of a flood.

The low land through which the canal passes, and from which the greatest apprehension is felt, is about a mile in length. This needed repair was the first that the attention of the workmen and their numerous teams was directed to yesterday afternoon.

The county bridge in front of the Eggers vineyard was found in an unsafe condition and impassable. The ground at the south end of the bridge was washed away for several feet, leaving a deep gorge between the bridge and the public road.

REPAIRING DAMAGES.

Several Chinamen and a white man were engaged in refilling the washout. At this point the reporter found Mr. Lamson, the owner of a vineyard which bordered on the canal, and in answer to the question whether he expected any serious results from the storm, said:

"The water in the canal is not as high now by several feet as it was last Tuesday, when it nearly flooded the banks and almost carried the Eggers bridge away. It has been gradually subsiding since then, until this afternoon, and it is now rising from the warm rains melting the heaps of snow that are lying in the foothills within the past few days.

"Do you think that the number of laborers sent to work this afternoon sufficient to prevent a recurrence of the disasters of the previous flood?" was asked.

"I should think so," was the reply. "The men are scattered along the ditch by threes and fours, and are under strict contract to keep at work and maintain a diligent watch for any possible break until midnight, when the water from the mountains is expected to reach the lowlands through Dry Creek. If the levees are then strong enough to stand the expected strain upon them, no immediate fear, in my opinion, need be expected."

MR. CHURCH'S OPINION.

Lorenzo B. Church, Superintendent of the Fresno Canal and Irrigation Company, was found busily at work directing his men in strengthening the ditch. He said:

"I have no doubt that last night's rain and the rain in the foothills to-day will tax our exertions to a greater degree than ever before. Every indication points to a tremendous rush of water, and whether we will be able to successfully resist it is the question."

When asked what time he expected that the water would reach the levees that were being strengthened he said that it would probably be between 2 o'clock and daylight.

"If," he continued, "the banks do not give away at that time, everybody may rest secure for the future, for the crisis will have been past for all time."

All the roads leading to and from the levees are in a bad condition, many vehicles going down to the hubs in places. A bridge on the north line of the Barton vineyard, north of Bartlett Heights, has been nearly washed away and teams cannot pass over it.

MAYOR PEDLAR'S OPINION.

Mayor Pedlar returned yesterday afternoon from the scene of operations. He said that the small local overflow on the Eggers vineyard did not do much damage and that the break had been easily stopped.

"We had a close call last night," he added, "for the ditch had all the water in it that it could carry, but since then the water has fallen between two and three feet. But the crisis has not yet come, for the flood water of to-day's rains in the foothills will not reach here until between midnight and 3 o'clock in the morning. Last Tuesday night more water started down towards town than ever before, notwithstanding that the ditch has been made of much larger carrying capacity than ever before and that no river empties into it. Red Bank carried more water this season than ever before.

"We left 500 sacks at the Las Palmas vineyard to be used in stopping any break that may take place during the night, and we have provided a patrol to be on duty from midnight until morning to send in an alarm by telephone should a break occur. There are from 50 to 100 men on watch there now."

The Mayor added that should an overflow take place the fire alarm bell and one or two of the church bells would be rung to arouse the citizens.

Central Colony Festival.

The Christmas tree festival was held last Monday evening in the Union Church. The following program was well rendered:

Song by pupils, "Merry, Merry Christmas;" recitation, George White; music, violin and organ, Mr. and Mrs. Davenhill; dialogue, "Trial in Court;" recitation, Walter Poole; dialogue, Kittie and Willie Robinson; song, Mr. Davenhill and Mr. Ranme; song, Bertha Bernham; recitation, Bert Clark; music, violin and organ, Mr. McCourt and Miss Poole; recitation, Lottie Davenhill; dialogue, "Mother Goose;" song, by pupils, "Three Kings of Orient;" recitation, Bertha Bierney; recitation, John Pugh; music, Mr. McCourt and Miss Nora Poole; cantata, by school girls.

Card From Senator Bones.

EDITOR REPUBLICAN: There must be some mistake in the announcement in your issue of this morning that I had received as a present an ear trumpet filled with alcohol, stopped at the big end, and that I threw it into the street.

No, sir, I know a good thing when I see it, and am too economical to be guilty of such waste. The ear trumpet would be of great use to me, as my hearing is quite defective, and as for the alcohol, it is too good to be wasted. It will kill all kinds of vermin and is good to preserve snakes, and is valuable everywhere, except in a man's stomach. Please send on the ear trumpet. J. W. BONES.

Dunham Holds the Stakes.

Justice of the Peace Hogue yesterday dismissed the charge of petit larceny against Alfred S. Dunham for lack of evidence. Dunham raked in $9.50, the stakes in a poker game in the Ogle House saloon, because he believed that his opponent had an extra card in his lap. Dunham was tried twice by a jury and the jury disagreed on both occasions.

He'll Get There Just the Same.

We feel much obliged to our ever bright contemporary, THE REPUBLICAN, for the kindly suggestion as to obtaining aid to paint the church. Tell your young men to come out to our town and they will be assisted by some of the prettiest girls in the state in putting on a double coat of paint. The girls can't understand why young men, who would wish to paint a church, would "tear" anything nor why they express a desire for red. Yet they suppose it must be all right and red a fashionable color, because THE REPUBLICAN suggests it.—Kings River News.

OVER THE COALS.

Chinatown Coin Burns the Police To-Day.

The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners met at 11 o'clock this forenoon and passed a resolution asking the City Council to adopt the stringent San Francisco ordinance against gambling.

The Board then proceeded at once to interview policemen regarding the reported raising of money in Chinatown during the past, for the purpose of bribing the police.

Officer Hornage stated that on November 22d last he was informed by a reliable Chinaman that money had been raised the previous month for the purpose of protecting Chinese gamblers. The Chinaman asked Hornage whether he had received any of it. Upon being questioned by the officer, the Mongolian stated that the gamblers were going into the business for all it was worth. They had raised $300 with which to bribe the police.

Commissioner Byrnes stated that he himself had been informed by a reliable Celestial that an assessment had been levied on every gambling-table to fee the police. The last assessment, he said, aggregated $400. He did not say what had been done with the money.

Detective Carroll said when the present raids began there were twenty-one fan-tan games and six lotteries running in Chinatown.

Hornage, upon being questioned again, said that a prominent mill man of this city had accused city officers and policemen of getting money from Chinatown.

Budd offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Be it resolved, That the matter of raising money by the Chinese for the claimed purpose of purchasing immunity for crimes be thoroughly investigated by this Board.

President Budd asked all of the officers excepting the Chief to retire, and then explained to that official the resolution adopted at the morning session. "There is little question," said Budd, "but that money is being raised to aid in protecting the gamblers. This Board does not believe that the police officers get any of it, but some one does, and it is our duty to find out who gets it. What do you know about it, Chief?"

"I don't know anything," was the response. "I have heard it rumored that since the arrests for gambling were made the Chinese had said that money was being raised and accused the officers of receiving some of it. I don't know anything certain about it."

"Do you know of any officer who has received money?"

"No; I have asked members of the force, whom I thought I could trust, if they knew of any of the others having received money from the gamblers, and they all said no."

"Has any Chinaman told you that your officers were receiving bribes?"

"No. I thought when I first went on the force that something of the sort might be going on, because when I went through Chinatown I saw that gambling was not restricted."

"This is a matter that reflects seriously on the police and should be settled," said Mr. Budd.

"I have had it thrown up to me on several occasions that the officers were receiving money," replied the Chief.

"It has become a matter of general notoriety."

"Yes, it has; but I don't know how much truth there is to any of it."

Each officer, upon finishing his testimony, was instructed to stop gambling whenever and wherever he saw it going on. They were told, also, that the officer whose beat was Chinatown would lose his official head, whether guilty of being bribed or not, if gambling was discovered unmolested there. He would be discharged for incompetency if bribery could not be shown.—Stockton Mail.

THE LAST OF THE ADOBES.

The Oldest Dwelling in the Mission Crumbling Into Ruins.

The last of the old adobe houses surrounding the Mission Dolores, and built 116 years ago, is rapidly falling to pieces. The house is numbered 567 Sixteenth street and the number is the only modern thing about it. The tiles on the roof are almost covered with moss, while the walls bear the scars made by the storms of nearly six score years.

When the Mansion House, on the corner of Sixteenth and Dolores streets, was pulled down, it left the house at 567 the only remaining specimen of the architecture of the year 1773 in San Francisco; for while the old Mission Dolores still stands, it has been repaired a number of times in order to preserve it. The recent storm made more of an inroad on the old house than the wind and rain of a hundred years had done, and now something must be done at once if it is to be preserved, as otherwise it will soon crumble down. The cracks at the four corners of the house, which were insignificant before the recent storm, have widened and spread until the bricks binding the walls together have been pulled apart. The house is in a locality which is rapidly building up with modern dwellings, and the owner of the land on which it stands will soon find the lot too valuable to allow it to remain occupied by an old ruin. Besides, the front of the house is exactly on the gutter line of the street, thus covering the whole of the sidewalk, and when the contemplated improvements in Sixteenth street are begun, the old house will have to go.—S. F. Examiner.

The Ditches Overflowing.

L. B. Church, superintendent of the canals of this system, says that nearly all the bridges on the canals east of this city are washed away, on account of the flood water, which alone is running in the ditches now, as all the water has been shut off at the river and a heavy dam thrown across the head of the canal. Last week the canal which the city aided in constructing was running brim full, and broke in one or two places on the north side. If the breaks had occurred on the south side much low land would have been flooded. Yesterday the water was going down and there is no danger until more rain falls.

The Christmas Shooting.

Two charges have been preferred against Charles Boyd, the Chinatown saloon-keeper, one of assault with a deadly weapon to murder Frank Pico and another of assault with a deadly weapon with intent to commit great bodily injury on Francisco Farias, who took a hand in the melee on Christmas morning.

He will be examined next Monday on the assault to murder charge.

Only His Mother-in-Law.

Jesse Cooper, a gentleman of color, pleaded guilty before Justice Hogue yesterday to a charge of battery preferred by Harriet Sutter. As Mrs. Sutter is the defendant's mother-in-law the Court fined Cooper only the costs of Court—$5.60.

Miss Maggie Johnson of Visalia is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. W. Gearhart.

AFTER CHRISTMAS.

Three Repentant Drunks Before Recorder Prince.

THEY ARE LET OFF EASILY.

A Cripple From the Mines and a Man Who Left Colusa to Get Out of the Wet.

Recorder Prince was in excellent spirits yesterday afternoon, and he looked upon three shivering wretches before him with a kindly and perhaps-I-don't-know-how-it-is-myself expression.

They were John Crosby and Mike Cavanagh, drunk and disorderly, and Thomas Wayne, a disturber of the peace.

Cavanagh had had his left leg amputated above the knee and walked by the aid of a crutch and a cane. He pleaded guilty with the explanation: "This is the first time in my life, since being a cripple, yer Honor, that I've had too much beer in me.

He added that he lost his leg while working in the Calico mines in San Bernardino, between four and five months ago, and was on his way to San Francisco, where he had friends. "I spent all my money to get here, yer honor."

TWO CHRISTMAS DINNERS.

"You are charged, by this officer," said Recorder Prince, indicating Detective Smith, "with asking people for money on the streets, and whenever they refused you, you abused them for all that was out. You asked me for money on the corner of I and Mariposa streets. I saw that you had been drinking, and I said that I wouldn't give you any money to spend for beer, but that I would pay for your dinner."

"Yes, yer Honor," said the prisoner, blushing furiously and trembling.

"I took you to the Cosmopolitan restaurant and paid for your dinner, and this morning the restaurateur came to me with a bill for another dinner about two hours after you had the first one. He said that you went back and told him that Judge Prince had sent you there to get dinner and he would pay the bill.

"You say you are on your way to San Francisco?" asked the Recorder.

"Yes, yer Honor."

"Well, Mike, I'll let you go this time."

"Thank ye, yer Honor," said the overjoyed Cavanagh as he crutched himself out of the Court.

BECAUSE OF AN EMPTY STOMACH.

John Crosby, a man with venerable whiskers, was Detective Smith's next victim. Mr. Crosby explained that he came from Merced last Thanksgiving Day, and has been making his living by doing odd jobs for saloon men about town.

"It was Christmas day, yer Honor," proceeded Mr. Crosby, "and I took three or four drinks and they went to my head, because I hadn't eaten anything. I intended to quit drinking at the end of the year, and for God's sake, Judge, give me as much mercy as you can. I know Al Smith, Lawyer Goucher and Nick Justi here."

"Will they pay your fine?" asked the Court. "Will you give me a draft on Goucher for $5?"

"Ahem! Judge!" was all the reply that the startled prisoner could make.

"Well, remembering that it was Christmas yesterday, I shall make it light on you—$5 or five days. Do you think you can raise the money?"

"I'll try, your Honor."

"Well, you may go and see if you can get it—that is if you'd rather pay it than stay in jail for five days."

"I'd rather pay it, your Honor," responded the prisoner hastily, as he went out of the door.

He returned with the money in ten minutes.

Thomas Wayne is a respectable-looking laboring man. He got drunk and disturbed the peace.

A SIDE-SPLITTING JOKE.

"I came down from Colusa county, where I had been at work. The rain and the floods drove me away from there, and I thought I would come down here, being as I heard it was a dry country."

The Judge lay back and snickered, Detective Smith turned red in the face and stuffed a bandana into his mouth, but the poor devil of a prisoner did not realize that he had said anything at all funny.

"I arrived here on Christmas morning, and I saw there was no chance for a man to get a job, owing to the rain, and I saw all the rest of the boys enjoying themselves, and I thought I ought to do the same. Two ... was all the money I had in the ..., and and-yer honor-I blowed ..."

"Same old story," commented the Recorder, with a sigh. "Did you have a good dinner in jail yesterday?"

"Yes, sir; we had a pretty fair dinner."

"Turkey?"

"Yes, sir."

"Well; I'll make it $5 or five days, and I'll give you a chance. If you promise to send me the money, as soon as you can earn it, I'll let you go."

"Thank you, yer honor; I'll send it to you in less than a month," and Officer Walton's prisoner walked away.

A Marine Christmas.

The Packard family of this city are from Rockport, Maine, and still cherish memories of that seacoast town. On Christmas Eve, Mr. Packard had rigged a good-sized boat with masts and spars and sails furled, which was gaily decorated and loaded with presents, instead of the old-fashioned Christmas tree. The boat, when rigged and decorated, presented a very handsome sight, and all who saw it claim it was much handsomer and more convenient for the purpose than the usual tree.

Fred Packard personated Santa Claus, who probably for the first time in his historic career was represented as an old salt captain of a sea-going ship. The party was made up of the immediate family, consisting of numerous married sons and daughters, with a goodly number of grandchildren, who doubtless enjoyed the novel Christmas ship quite as much as the older people.

The Prairie Chicken's Jaws.

Suppose you get a dozen birds. Suppose you get half a dozen. You have a splendid bag of splendid birds. The birds all look so big you can't tell which are the young ones and which the old. Take up a bird by its lower mandible, which you hold between thumb and finger. If the bill breaks the bird is one of this season. If it does not break it is an old bird. There is an old hunter's saying that the bill will break up till Christmas. In dividing up the bag, you may slyly choose the birds whose bills break. When you come to broil these your wife's heart will relent and she will forgive you for wanting to go hunting, and may, indeed, perhaps encourage you in that insidious vice.—E. Hough in Globe-Democrat.

A Wealthy Hog.

Near Walla Walla, Washington, says an exchange, a butcher recently, in cutting up a hog, found a $10 gold piece imbedded near its backbone. While it is quite true that every hog doesn't keep its $10 piece in so queer a place, yet after all it is only a matter of individual preference and peculiarity. We know of one in the states that kept its money in a tight little pocket just under its liver and near the right hip joint. It chewed dog-leg tobacco and walked on two feet only. We understand the breed has extended west.—Fresno Inquirer.

THE SUPERVISORS.

Minutes of Meetings Held in the Month of December.

December 12, 1889.

The board allowed the following claims from the general fund:

W D Tupper, cash expenses	9 35
Donahoo, Emmons & Co., supplies	1 00
T H Leonard, Constable fees	175 40
E E Brown, Health Officer	16 66
ELECTION SERVICE.	
C C Brown	2 00
A A Skaggs	6 00
C P Walton	3 00
J H Elliott	6 00
W Hoskins	6 00
C H B Klette	6 00
M P Hatch	6 00
L G Goodell	6 00
O Crawford	3 00
W A Sanders	6 00
Albert Taylor	6 00
C H Norris	6 00
John Winbland	3 00
O T Cherry	6 00
M H Enersol	6 00
A H Powers	6 00
John G Davis	6 00
December 13, 1889.	
C L Walter, supervisor	86 50
F F Letcher, supervisor	118 00
T C White, supervisor	98 50
W M Raynor, supervisor	102 75

The Board after due consideration rejected the following claims: Six claims of D. R. Prince for services as City Recorder in criminal cases, aggregating $122; Richard Wheeler, examination of vineyards, $25; John W. Cline, post mortem examination, $41; Bell & Spence, buggy hire, $7.50; E. E. Brown, reporting births, $7.25; C. W. Gearhart, reporting in Recorder's Court, $31.40; Allen Woodward, recovering corpse, $5; Fred Packard, hauling, $5; John Cramblod, rent of schoolhouse for election, $2; John Rostram, mileage in bringing election returns, $13; C. H. B. Klute, election services, $3; W. E. Kopp, indigent witness, $11; C. C. Lambert, indigent witness, $15.75; J. R. Kopp, indigent witness, $11.75; W. F. Bishop, office rent, $15; J. C. Shepard, engineering, $10; Choice & Bienenfeld, over-paid tax, $227.77; Mrs. C. A. Cranmer, board for indigent, $8; Mike Hastings, hack hire, $2; O. H. Church, picking up remains, $5; J. L. McClelland, over-paid tax, $13.48; R. C. Tennant, expert witness, $6. And laid the following bills over for correction: Louis Einstein & Co., hospital supplies, $122.76; Louis Einstein & Co., hospital supplies, $15.54; A. H. McCorp, constable fees, $57.95; Hayden & Pedlar, examination of insane, $25; J. T. Walton, $5.58; Enterprise Pub. Co., printing, $5; San Joaquin Lumber Co., $2.65; Isaac L. Walton, taking care of deceased persons, $5; D. A. Adams, rebate on tax, $68.36; Paul Borchardt, cooking, $10.80, and Isaac L. Walton, reporting, $10.

In the matter of the petition of P. W. Hastie et al. for road: This matter coming before the Board for consideration and it appearing that deeds for the right of way on the line of said road have been obtained, therefore it is ordered that said route be and the same is hereby declared a public highway sixty feet wide, beginning at the south corner common to sections 28 and 29, township 16 south, range 21 east, thence running north on section lines to the north corner common to sections 8 and 9, said township and range, and thirty feet on each side of the section line, and the ... of Road District No. 5 is ... directed to take charge of the same.

In re-petition of A. A. Rowell et al. for road.

This matter coming up for consideration, and it appearing that said road should be opened to the public.

Therefore it is ordered that the said route be and the same is hereby declared a public highway, 60 feet wide, as follows, to-wit:

Commencing at the west corner common to west corner common to section 31, township 15 south, range 21 east, and section 6, township 16 south, range 21 east, M. D. B. and M.; thence running east on township line seven and one-half miles, more or less, to the Centerville and Kingsburg canal, crossing the line between section 32, township 15 south, range 22 east, and section 5, township 16 south, range 22 east, said road being 30 feet on each side of the township line.

And the road matter of road district No. 5 is hereby directed to take charge of the same.

In re petition of E. Kreyenhagen et al, for road: This matter coming up for consideration, and it appearing that the same is a public necessity and should be opened to the public. Therefore, the Board do order that said road be, and the same is hereby declared a public highway 60 feet wide, commencing at a point where the Fresno and Hot Springs road intersects the fifth standard south, 200 feet east of the northwest corner of section 1, township 21 south, range 15 east, Mt. Diablo base and meridian; thence east on said standard line and 30 feet on each side thereof to the southeast corner of section 36, township 20 south, range 15 east, Mt Diablo base and meridian; thence north on section line 30 feet on each side thereof to a point 90 feet south of the northeast corner of said section 36; thence a strip of land 60 feet wide, running easterly and northeasterly parallel with the railroad, and according to the plat and field notes thereof, now on file herein, through sections 30, 31, 29, 28, 21, 22, 23 and 24, township 30 south, range 16 east, and sections 10, 18, 17, 16, 14 and 10, township 20 south, range 17 east, to the town of Hudson. And the roadmaster of road district No. 6, is hereby directed to take charge of the same.

DETECTIVE WORK.

A. B. Sharp, a Defaulting Witness, Taken In.

A. B. Sharp, a laborer by occupation, was arrested by Policeman Zener yesterday for having refused to answer a subpena issued by the Superior Court of Modesto last May.

Sharp and Ben Ducker, the proprietor of the Brooklyn Hotel at Modesto, got into an altercation, while under the influence of liquor, last April, during which Sharp was struck on the side of the head with a heavy cane by Ducker. Sharp was badly hurt and was confined to his room for several weeks. When Ducker recovered from his drunk and learned of what he had done, he became penitent and no cost was too great to him for the care and attention necessary for Sharp's recovery.

During this time, however, the proprietor of the Brooklyn Hotel was arrested, and the man whom he had injured was subpenaed as a witness. When the case came up for trial Sharp was missing, and it was alleged that he had skipped the country on money paid him by Ducker.

Yesterday he was interviewed by a reporter and admitted the facts as related. He appears greatly worried over his arrest, saying that this is the first time that he was ever a prisoner for any offence.

We are glad to see the general move toward planting fruit trees in this vicinity. There never can be too much fruit raised in this valley, since our climate and soil are exactly suited for the production of the finest quality of every variety. Every tree planted this year will yield a big pile of dollars in three years more. Every tree planted now means comfort and the enjoyment of a competence in the not far distant future.

THE SHIPP CHRISTMAS.

A Pleasant Party to Friends on Blackstone Avenue.

At the residence of W. W. Shipp on Blackstone avenue, on Christmas night, one of the best specimens of Christmas-trees was produced. In this, as in other fruit trees, the quality and quantity of the fruit was the best.

The roots of the tree must have found lodgment in auriferous sands, for John and George Shipp each plucked a fine gold watch from its branches, Mrs. T. J. Duncan, a handsome breastpin and other minor presents of gold fell to the lot of others. Gaily decked cornucopias were bursting to tell the secret stores of nuts and sweets. Scarfs, ties, furs, collarettes, etc., appealed to the senses of comfort and adornment. Side by side with plebian wool was patrician silk, and articles of use vied in number with those whose sole aim is to appeal to the love of the beautiful.

Santa Claus came in with garments plentifully besprinkled with snow (home-made from cotton), and proceeded to put himself on the best of terms with the juveniles by inviting them to approach and taste of the fruits of the tree, and "lo it was good."

When the tree was stripped of its fruit the company engaged in conversation and games until the clock admonished little folks to go to bed.

Aside from the families of W. W. Shipp, T. J. Duncan, G. R. G. Glenn and F. Kenyon, there were present Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Walton of Sanger, Mr. T. L. Reed and Miss Abbie Webster of Fresno, Rev. Father Yager and Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Metzler of Elmira, Solano county.

Mr. Metzler is the Principal of the Elmira school, and is now spending his vacation visiting in Fresno. Some one seemed inclined to make Mr. Shipp "smoke" for his hospitality, for he was made the recipient of a cigar that was a monster in size. Mr. Shipp proposes to sample it some day when it rains.

BOTTLE BLOWING.

The Artisian Uses a Light Blowpipe and His Lung Power.

The process begins with a gatherer. His blowpipe is a tube of wrought iron, five or six feet long, and of lighter weight than the pipe used in blowing window-glass. He tips the end of his pipe into the molten contents of the boot, and brings out a mass of red-hot plastic glass. If the bottles to be blown are small, one gathering suffices, but for larger wares two or even three gatherings may be necessary to get the requisite supply of material on the end of the blowpipe. When the gathering is done properly this lump of red-hot glass is a perfectly homogeneous mass. Its subsequent fortunes rest with the blower. He takes the blowpipe from the gatherer, and, resting the plastic glass against a marvering table of stone or cast-iron, he gives the pipe a few adroit rotations, thus fashioning the glass into an even cylindrical shape. By further rolling it along the edge of the table he forms the smaller prolongation of glass, which is afterwards to become the neck of the bottle. Lifting the still red-hot glass from the table, he blows through the pipe, forming a small bubble of air in the interior of the mass of glass. This is afterward extended until it becomes the inwardness of the bottle.

The partly fashioned bit of glassware is now introduced into the mold which one of the "shop" boys has already opened to receive it. For convenience in working, the mold is placed on a somewhat lower level than on which the blower stands. It is made of cast iron, and is commonly formed in two pieces. One of them is stationary, while the other opens outward, its motion being controlled by a foot lever. When the blower places his incomplete bottle, still attached to the blowpipe, into the mold, he closes the mold with his foot, and blows through the pipe until the plastic glass is everywhere forced against the sides of the mold, and is impressed upon the form of its prison.—Popular Science Monthly.

NOTED TROTTERS.

Their Striking Peculiarity Was Abundance of Nervous Energy.

There is one respect in which all the distinguished trotters have resembled each other, and that is in their nervous energy, in high spirit and courage. That flame which the Washington Hollow horseman detected in the eye of Flora Temple came out afterward in the resolute burst of speed with which she finished her fastest mile. Dexter was represented as being chock-full of fire and deviltry, and capable of jumping like a cat. Hiram Woodruff, as we have seen, spoke of his "wicked head." Goldsmith Maid had a strong will of her own, and the excitement she betrayed on the eve of a race showed how fine was her organization. "She would stand quietly enough," says her driver, "while being hitched to the sulky, although she had been previously kicking and plunging in her stall, but she would shake and tremble until I have heard her feet make the same noise against the hard ground that a person's teeth will when the body is suddenly chilled; that is, her feet actually chattered on the ground. The instant I got into the sulky all this would pass away, and she would start in a walk for the track as sober as any old horse you ever saw." Rarus was so nervous that he never could have been driven with safety on the road, and his courage was of the finest temper; St. Julian was exceedingly high strung, and in hands less patient and discreet than those of his trainer might never have been subdued to the purpose of racing. Jay-Eye-See, though I know less of his personal history, is notorious for the pluck he showed on the last quarter of his hard miles; and Maud S is the most spirited, the most determined, and at the same time the gentlest of animals."—Colman's Rural World.

Cheese We Send England.

The cheese trade between America and this country is a very large one. Last year we exported 813,000 hundred-weights from the United States and 668,000 hundred-weights from Canada, making together 1,481,000 hundred weights, and this year the figures promise to be as large. This extensive business is thought to offer a favorable opportunity for introducing modern methods of organization, and a scheme is on foot for the formation of a large corporation for this purpose. To put it briefly, the scheme is intended to bring about a direct deal between the producer and the foreign consumer, so as to cut down unnecessary expenses. While maintaining a fair margin of profit, the cost to the consumer is to be reduced. There is said to be abundance of capital at the back of the undertaking.—Pall Mall Gazette.

Oh, What a Cough.

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EMILE ZOLA is threating to visit this country.

JEFF DAVIS county gave the largest Republican majority of any county in Texas. That settles it. There's nothing in a name.

ORANGE thieves are more troublesome to Marysville orchardists than the scale bug. A savage bulldog and a shotgun are good remedies.

TEMPERANCE cranks are deluging Mrs. Harrison with letters about that whisky punch which she did not give to the Pan-American delegates. Minding one's own business appears to be one of the lost arts.

THE Alameda Argus issued a splendid annual review of its city last week. The Argus is one of the brightest papers, both editorially and typographically, that comes to our desk, and its 1889 annual is a model paper.

PEANUTS grow well and yield handsome returns in this county where properly cared for. Fresno county ought to export many tons of these nuts annually, instead of, as now, importing largely for home consumption.

PATTI is making her annual farewell American tour, and will shortly arrive at San Francisco. She sings the same as last year, but will wear her new blonde hair, and expects to take back a half million American dollars.

LET Fresno people who want a public library take heart. The San Jose public library had a small beginning and passed through the dark waters of tribulation, but it is now a splendid success, and has nearly $2060 in the bank drawing interest.

THE San Joaquin valley has escaped damage from high water, although the state north and south has suffered considerably. The heaviest losses have been in Colusa, Yolo, Butte and Sacramento counties, where growing crops have been inundated and stock drowned. Thus far the state at large has been more benefited than damaged by the downpour.

SENATOR GEORGE of Mississippi fully appreciates the dangers and temptations which lurk in the pathway of the statesmen who are sent to Congress to make laws for railroad companies and other monopolies, and before leaving the quiet walks of private life to go to Washington he was baptized and became a member of the church. A man needs the armor of faith, the breast-plate of righteousness and a conscience which never sleeps to be a good Congressman.

THE city of Los Angeles is worse off than Fresno in the matter of sewers. Over twenty three inches of rain has fallen already in the angelic city, and her streets are streams of raging mud. No adequate means of even draining the rain water off has yet been provided, and the limited sewer system does not begin to answer the purposes for which it was intended. The greatest boom town in Southern California has its silurians, and they make their influence felt in defeating all movements looking to a sewer system.

THE San Francisco Chronicle says it is quite time that Congress took some steps in the direction of protecting the Pacific Coast against the attack of alien enemies. Bills for coast defense purposes have been introduced, and the House of Representatives is said to have really manifested some interest in the question. If that body can once become actually convinced that California, Oregon and Washington are in the Union, and that they are entitled to some consideration at the hands of the general government, the work of the Pacific Coast delegation will be greatly simplified and something may be accomplished to our advantage.

THE King of Italy is a victim of cigarette smoking and has had to quit the habit to save his life. The deadly cigarette downs all who dally with it, from the gray-haired King to the urchin bootblack.

IT was a California real estate man who recently wrote to Queen Victoria advising her to buy some land with perpetual climate and water right. The agent is still anxiously watching the mails for a reply.

AN Arizona paper has adopted an unpleasant method (for dead beats) of dealing with advertisers who fail to pay their bills. The News, of Tempe, removed the advertisement of a man who refused to pay his bill and inserted the following in the space which it occupied: "This space was taken by ———. He owes $—— for it, and won't pay. Look out for him." The advertiser got an injunction restraining the publication, but the Courts dissolved the injunction. If this plan were generally adopted newspapers would suffer few losses on account of delinquent advertisers.

IN the death of Henry W. Grady, editor of the foremost journal of the South—the Atlanta Constitution—that section of our common country has lost a true friend, a man and one who had the courage to look facts in the face and make the best of opportunities at hand. During the past few years Mr. Grady gave much of his time to improving the relations between the people of the North and the South, and had his life been spared a few years longer citizens of the whole country would undoubtedly have had occasion to unite in recognizing the successful termination of the work in which he was engaged at the time of his death.

FRESNO is to be congratulated on the quiet and good order which prevailed yesterday, especially when it is remembered that all business houses were closed and that the streets were full of men, drinking more or less and having a good time generally. The bachelor portion of the population regretted that there were no races, or a baseball game, or any other amusement to make the time fly more swiftly and to divert their minds. The members of the Young Men's Christian Association and the visitors to the building enjoyed the day in an agreeable and rational manner, removed from the temptations extended by the excessive sociability of the occasion. Humanity likes to be amused, especially on holidays, and if innocent amusement is not accessible men are often tempted to wander after strange gods—say in the Chinatown quarters and in the liquor saloons.

BORN.

CARPENTER—In Fresno, December 19, 1889, to the wife of J. Carpenter, a son.

EDWARDS—In Fresno, December 21, 1889, to the wife of Dr. Edwards, V. S., a daughter.

MARRIED.

SHANKLIN—WEST—In Fresno, December 22, 1889, by Rev. C. O. Steele, J. W. Shanklin and Frances Luella West, both of this city.

ROSS—ASHLEY—In Fresno, December 25, 1889, by Rev. C. O. Steele, Samuel Ross and Alice May Ashley, both of Fresno.

NORTON—STANTON—In Fresno, December 25, 1889, by Rev. J. W. Webb, William E. Norton and Miss May Stanton.

DOW—RICKETTS—In Fresno, December 23, 1889, by Rev. A. B. Morrison, William H. Dow and Orinda H. Ricketts.

WHITE—PENNICK—In Fresno, December 25, 1889, by Rev. ... Chamberlain, James White and Frances Pennick, both colored.

DIED.

LISENBY—In Newman, Cal., December 19, 1889, James Lisenby, a native of Clinton, Ill.

PORTEOUS—At Haddington, Scotland, December 5, 1889, William Porteous, father of James Porteous of Fresno, aged 85 years.

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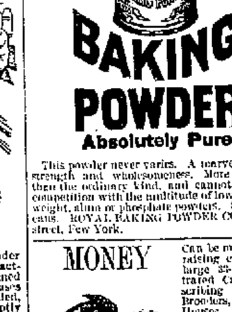

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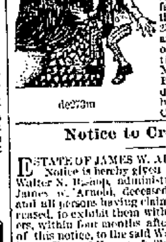

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WALTER N. BISHOP,
Administrator of the estate of James W. Arnold, deceased.

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